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JOHN BALTASER DIEFENBACH

AND HIS DESCENDANTS

by

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JOHN BALTASER DIEFENBACH

Born in Alsace-Lorraine in 1743

Came to America in 1764

Died in Virginia in 1820

Kindred lines:- Christopher Diefenbach, half brother of John Baltaser; Christopher Kirchhoft and Abraham Mowrey; his sons-in-law; George, John, Rev. Henry and Rev. Jacob Diefenbach, his sons. Also Ludwig Clapp, of N.C.; John Albrecht of N.C.; John C. Albrecht of Berks Co., Pa.; Isaac Burke of N.C. and Ohio; John Becker of Berks Co., Pa.; Nicholas Coleman of Ohio; John Coleman of Somerset Co., Pa.; John Vance of Pa. and Ohio; and their children.

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AND HIS DESCENDANTS

In 1821 Henry Diefenbach, son of the above, began to write in German script the history of his father's family. Henry Diefenbach was a minister in the Reformed Church in the United States and in 1821 was living and preaching in Greenwich Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. From time to time, as news came to him, he wrote additions to his data in this book. The inscription of the first page of this book reads-

"Memorandum Book in remembrance of our family and correspondents whose names, their dwelling places and their children's names I write herein. Begun in Greenwich Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania the 20th of July, 1821 by me.

HENRY DIEFFENBACH V.D.M."

This book became the property of the great-grandson of Henry Diefenbach, Howard Berleman Diefenbach, then a student for the ministry in the Reformed Theological Seminary of Tiffin, Ohio. In 1913 I, his wife, Josephine C. Diefenbach, began the translation of these pages of family history. During the years from then until now, 1940, items of interest concerning the branches of this family have been obtained through much correspondence and many visits, and this information is herein added to the original data contained in Henry Diefenbach's book. Quotations from the original will be made in capitals.

"JOHN BALTASER DIEFENBACH WAS MY FATHER. HE WAS BORN IN GERMANY NOT FAR FROM THE RHINE IN ALSACE, IN THE VILLAGE OF OBERSEBACH. HIS PARENTS WERE HENRY DIEFENBACH AND HIS SECOND WIFE, CATHERINA. HIS GRANDFATHER WAS JACOB DIEFENBACH AND HE LIVED IN THE PALATINATE."

Proof of this birth of John Baltaser Diefenbach was received in a letter from Henry Koenig, pastor of the Parish Church of Obersebach. In the letter, which was received July 17th, 1934, was enclosed a certified copy of the entry in the Parish Register which reads-

(en marge)
5 January

Anno 1743

baptizatus est Johannes Balthasar filius legitimus
Henrici Tieffenbach, luth, et Catharina, calv.

patrinus erat Joannes Balthasar Veith; matrina erat
Barbara Chrismann.

pour copie conforme Obersebach, le 28 juin, 1934

Henry Koenig, pastor loci h.t.

In the letter Rev. Koenig calls attention to the fact that his parish has from time immemorial been Reformed, hence the fact that it was felt necessary to add the word "luth" (Lutheran) after the father's name indicates that he was not a native born inhabitant of that parish, while the word "calv" (Calvinist) after the mother's name would mean that she was a native of the parish, and a member of that church. This bears out the statement made by Henry Diefenbach that his father's grandfather and father were inhabitants of the Palatinate.

"MY GRANDFATHER HAD BY HIS FIRST WIFE THREE SONS, BUT ONLY ONE DAUGHTER WHO DIED IN INFANCY. BY HIS SECOND WIFE HE ALSO HAD THREE SONS OF WHOM MY FATHER WAS THE YOUNGEST. MY FATHER ALSO HAD ONE SISTER WHO DIED IN INFANCY FROM THE SMALL POX. THE NAMES OF THE BROTHERS WERE MARTIN, CHRISTOPHER, WENDELL, HENRY, GEORGE AND JOHN BALTASER, THIS WAS MY FATHER.

SO FAR AS I KNOW MY FATHER WAS BORN JAN. 8, 1743 AND CAME TO AMERICA WHEN HE WAS 21 YEARS OLD, IN THE LATE FALL OF 1764. HE HAD AT THAT TIME ALREADY ONE HALF BROTHER IN AMERICA, WHOSE NAME WAS CHRISTOPHER.

HE ALSO HAD AN UNCLE LIVING IN BALTIMORE, A SMITH BY TRADE. HE DIED BEFORE MY FATHER COULD COME TO HIS BED SIDE. HE LEFT BEHIND ONLY ONE DAUGHTER AND HE WAS VERY RICH."

"CHRISTOPHER DIEFENBACH, MY FATHER'S HALF BROTHER, WAS A STONE CUTTER IN GERMANY BUT IN AMERICA HE WAS A MASON. HE MARRIED MAGDALENE NEUMAN FROM THE TOWN OF HANOVER, YORK CO. PA. HE HAD A PLANTATION ON WHICH HE LIVED IN FREDERICK CO., MARYLAND NEAR A SMALL TOWN CALLED WESTMINSTER, sometimes called WINCHESTER. HE HAD FOUR CHILDREN, JOHN DIEFENBACH, WHOSE WIFE WAS A BAUMGARTNER; CATHERINE WHO MARRIED JACOB UTZ; BARBARA AND MARIE, WHO BOTH MARRIED BAUMGARTNERS AND MOVED TO STANDING STONE, PA. JOHN DIEFENBACH, SON OF THIS CHRISTOPHER DIEFENBACH, LIVED ON THE OLD PLACE AFTER HIS FATHER'S DEATH. HIS WIFE WAS CATHERINA BAUMGARTNER. AFTER THEY HAD SEVERAL CHILDREN HE DIED AND HIS FAMILY STILL LIVES ON THE OLD PLACE. CATHERINA, THE SISTER OF JOHN DIEFENBACH, MARRIED JACOB UTZ, A SADDLER IN WESTMINSTER. LATER HE HAD A STORE IN WESTMINSTER. HIS TWO CHILDREN, JACOB AND MARIA, ARE ALREADY GROWN."

The will of John Deverbough (Diefenbach), son of Christopher Diefenbach dated March 15, 1814, is on file in Frederick, Md. In this will he mentions his wife, Catherina, daughters Polly, Betsey, Catharine and Susana, and son Henry, who "will be twenty one years old Sept. 16th, 1827." He gives to his sisters, Catherine Utz, Barbary Baumgartner and Mary Baumgartner "that part of my uncle Michael Neuman's estate that falls to me, to be equally divided between them."

Mistakenly entered as "Christ" or Christian Devenbough, the final accounting of the administration of the estate of CHRISTOPHER DEVENBOUGH is entered by his son, JOHN DEVENBOUGH in Frederick, Md. dated March 20th, 1792. The name of Christian (Christopher) Deaverbaugh appears in the "First Census of the United States, Maryland, 1790" where he is recorded as a "free male."

From "Portrait and Biographical Album of Livingston County, Illinois" published in 1888 we find that at that time JESSIE DIFFENBAUGH was a grain dealer in Dwight, Ill.; that he was the son of JOHN HENRY

DIEFENBACH of Maryland, -b. 1807. (John Henry was the son of John, who was the son of Christopher.) In 1826 John Henry married Miss Elizabeth Powell. Their children were John T., Angelina, Jesse, Margaret, Catherine, Emily J., Lucinda, Adam H., Louisa, Mary, Martha, and three who died in infancy. Jesse and Louisa, who married Isaac Perry, were the only members of the family to leave Maryland, and both lived in Dwight, Ill. in 1888.

Jesse Diffenbaugh, son of John Henry, son of John, son of Christopher, was b. near Westminster, Md. Aug. 21st, 1830. In 1860 he married Miss Sarah Goodman of Mill Creek, Pa. They had two children, Harry J. (1860 - 1931), and Nora E. (1862 - 1872). Jesse Diffenbaugh moved to Dwight, Ill. in 1868."

The name of John Baltaser Diefenbach is on the passenger list of the ship "Jeneffer", arriving at Philadelphia Nov. 5th, 1764.

"JOHN BALTASER DIEFENBACH WAS MARRIED TO ANNA MARIA BECKER IN THE YEAR 1768 or 1769: THEY LIVED TWO MILES FROM WILLIAMSPORT, ONE HALF MILE FROM THE POTOMAC RIVER, EIGHT MILES FROM HAGERSTOWN IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND. ON THE 8th OF NOVEMBER 1784 MY PARENTS MOVED TO VIRGINIA, WHICH WAS 135 MILES TO STAUNTON, FROM WHICH THEY LIVED BUT EIGHT MILES, IN AUGUSTA CO., VA. THEY LIVED THERE UNTIL THEIR END."

Deed to 200 acres of land, bought by "PAULSER TEVERBAUGH", dated Dec. 21st, 1783, is on file in the court house at Staunton, Va. Payment was 250 pounds "current money in Virginia" and the deed is signed by John and Elizabeth Rodgers. This land was part of Beverly Manor, and the Rodgers' father, George, had received it as a grant from the Crown.

This plantation remained in the possession of descendants of Baltaser Diefenbach until about 1905. Through much of it runs Christian Creek; the road leading to this home from the Shenandoah Pike is known as the "Laurel Hill" Road.

(Descent and records of Anna Maria Becker, wife of John

Baltaser Diefenbach, will be found at the end of this record.)

"THE LIFE'S END OF MY FATHER. HE DIED IN THE MORNING AT SEVEN O'CLOCK, JAN. 24th A.D. 1820, AFTER HE HAD LAIN SICK TWO WEEKS AND ONE DAY, AT THE HOME OF MY BROTHER GEORGE, ON FATHER'S OLD PLACE AT STAUNTON. THE HONORABLE PASTOR SPEECE PREACHED THE FUNERAL UPON THE TEXT JOHN 5:28,29. MY FATHER LIVED TO BE 77 YEARS AND 16 DAYS OLD."

The will of BALZER DIEFENBAUGH is on file in the Probate Office, Staunton, Va. dated July 3rd, 1804, sixteen years before his death. In the will, John Baltaser states that it is his will that his wife, Anna Maria, shall live in the house with their son, George (to whom was given the home plantation), but that if she is "not satisfied with her board and treatment and should prefer living by herself my son George shall build for her on an eligible part of the plantation a comfortable cabin, and find her fire-wood, a cow and food and pasture and pay her as before mentioned the sum of twelve pounds annually, but from the dutiful manner in which my son has heretofore conducted himself, I rest satisfied that his mother will live with him and that his attention to her will prevent the demand on her part for either money or a separate maintenance."

A descendant of John Diefenbach, for whom Baltaser Diefenbach had purchased a plantation, says that undoubtedly both John Baltaser and his wife were buried in what was known as the old "Mowrey burying ground", on the old Mowrey estate (the wife of Geo. Diefenbach was a Mowrey). He further says that there are still piles of old tomb stones in the corner of the field and a big locust tree stands in the center of the plot which was the grave yard. The farm is now (1940) known as the "Jack Quick Dairy Farm."

The Circuit Court Records, Augusta Co., Va., by Chalkley contain a number of entries of Baltaser Diefenbach's affairs, marriages of children, purchases and sales of land, etc. "First Marriages of Augusta Co., Va. 1785-1813" contains the records of marriages of Catherine, Mary, John and George, children of John Baltaser Diefenbach.

"MY PARENTS BROUGHT UP SIX CHILDREN - NAMELY -

CATHERINA BORN APRIL 11, 1770; HENRY BORN DECEMBER 5, 1771; ANNA MARIA
BORN FEB. 11, 1773; JOHN BORN NOV. 3, 1776; GEORGE BORN JAN. 21, 1779;
JACOB BORN FEB. 27, 1784. TWO CHILDREN DIED WHEN YOUNG, ONE SON NAMED
DAVID AND ONE DAUGHTER, ELIZABETH."

CHILDREN OF CATHERINA AND CHRISTOPHER KIRCHHOFT

"CATHERINA WAS MARRIED TO JOHN CHRISTOPHER KIRCHHOFT, A LEARNED WEAVER FROM GERMANY. HE HAD A PLANTATION UPON WHICH THEY LIVED IN ROCKINGHAM CO., VA. AFTER THEY HAD ABOUT SIX OR EIGHT CHILDREN, HE DIED, BUT THE OLDER CHILDREN WERE THEN GROWN."

"CHRISTOPHER KIRCHHOFT, MY BROTHERINLAW, WHOM MY OLDEST SISTER, CATHERINA DIEFENBACH, MARRIED DIED DEC. 13, A.D. 1820, WHEN HE WAS 70 YEARS, 7 MONTHS AND 3 DAYS OLD. THE LUTHERAN MINISTER, H.C. REEMSNYDER, PREACHED THE FUNERAL ON THE TEXT 2 TIM. 4:7,8. SONG, "MY GOD, I KNOW WELL THAT I MUST DIE."

Children of Catherina and Christopher Kirchhoft were-

1. Frederick, a smith, -b. in 1796; his address is given in the "history" by Henry Diefenbach as "MR. JOHN FREDERICK KIRCHHOVE, MADISON CO., O. NEAR LITTLE DARBY CREEK, LAWRENCE POSTOFFICE."
2. Henry, -b. 1797, of whom Henry Diefenbach says "LIFE'S END OF HENRY KIRCHHOFT, MY SISTER CATHERINA'S SON. HENRY KIRCHHOFT DIED IN THE MONTH OF MAY, 1825 DURING THE BUILDING OF A BARN WHEN A LOG FELL ON HIS HEAD, AND HE DIED WITHIN A FEW DAYS. HE WAS NOT MARRIED AND WAS EITHER 24 OR 25 YEARS OF AGE."
3. Jacob, -b. 1799. Henry Diefenbach says of him "TO MR JACOB KIRCHHOFT OR PATTERSON CRAIG, LOGAN CO., OHIO. THEY LIVE 8 MILES FROM THE COUNTY SEAT OF LOGAN CO., WHICH IS CALLED BELLEFOUNTAIN. THEY LIVE IN MIAMI TOWNSHIP ON THE STONY RUN. THEY MOVED THERE ON THE 29th OF SEPT. 1821.
4. Elizabeth, -b. 1801, "MARRIED WILLIAM CRAIG IN THE YEAR 1828. IT IS SAID HE IS AN ENGLISHMAN, BUT HE HAS A GOOD PIECE OF LAND."
5. Catherina, -b. 1803. "WAS MARRIED LAST FALL TO PATTERSON CRAIG, AN ENGLISHMAN. HE HAS NO PROPERTY BUT HAS RENTED A PLACE IN ROCKINGHAM CO., VA." Later, as noted above, they moved to Logan Co., O.
6. George, -b. 1805.
7. Solomon, -b. 1807. "SOLOMON KIRCHHOFT, MY SISTER'S SON, IS MARRIED

TO AN IRISH WOMAN, NAMED MARY GRIFFITH. SHE HAD ONLY ONE BED, A HORSE,
AND HER CLOTHING."

8. Ludwig, -b. 1810.



Though numerous trips were made to Rockingham Co., Va. searching for descendants of Catherine Diefenbach and Christopher Kirchhoff, the only things found there were the following: a record of the marriage of these two persons in Chalker's Virginia Court Records, "1795, Jan. 6th, by Rev. William Wilson, DEC. 21st, Christopher Kirchhoff and Catherine Tevenbough"; in the copy of first marriage records of Va., made by the D.A.R., "Dec. 21st--Christopher Kerchoff and Catherine Tevenbough."; "Deed, from Catherine Kirchhoff to Leonard Mull-Harrisonburg, Rockingham Co., Va. 150 acres, her dower."; in the William and Mary Quarterly Vol XIV- "B. Nov. 29th, 1796, John Frederick Kirchhoff; sponsors John Busch and Catherine Mallow. Baptism May 14th, 1797." and "April 16, 1797- a communicant member of the Peaked Mountain Church." Peaked Mountain Church was at McGaheysville, Va. one half mile east of the Peak, and was used by both the Lutheran and Reformed denominations. Again in Chalkley's records we find:- "1795, December 21. Christopher Kereoff and Balser Tevenbaugh, surety. Christopher Kereoff and Catherine Tevenbaugh, daughter of said Baltzer."

In Roselawn cemetery, Lewisburg, Preble Co., O. we found the graves of the following members of this family: "John F. Kirchhoff- born in Virginia- d. 1-27-1855, aged 58 years, 1 month, 28 days" (hence, born 12-29-1796). "Mary E. Kirchhoff-d. 1-10-1883; aged 83 years, 7 months, 4 days" (b. 6-6-1799) On the same lot with these graves are also the following--undoubtedly children of John Frederick Kirchhoff, above:- Henry Kirchhoff, -b. ^{in Rockingham CO. Va.} 3-1-1826; -d. 6-20-1869" "Catherine, wife of Henry Kirchhoff, -b. ^{in Frederick Co. Md.} 3-28-1831; -d. 11-8-1905." "William F. Kirchhoff, -b. 12-7-1828; -d. 1-29-1900" "Anna, wife of William F. Kirchhoff, -b. 6-13-1827, -d. 12-2-1905" "John D. (does this stand for Diefenbach, perhaps?) Kirchhoff, -d. 9-8-1863, aged 25 years, 2 months, 16 days" (b. 7-22-1838). "Lewis H. Kirchhoff, -d. 2-27-1872, aged 30 years, 4 months, 19 days." (b. 9-8-1841).

This proves conclusively that John Frederick Kirchhoff left Madison Co.,

O. and lived in Preble Co., O.

In the cemetery at DeGraff, O. we found the following- "Patterson Craig, -b. 1-26-1809, -d. 2-30-1872." "Mary (Catherine) ^{was the daughter of Catherine Diefenbach and John Christopher Kirchhoff.} wife of Patterson Craig, -b. 1-23-1804, -d. 2-2-1860." "John, son of P. and M. Craig, -b. 10-4-1831, -d. 2-15-1856." "Robert, son of P. and M. Craig, -b. 5-26-1834, -d. 6-6-1856" "James (son of P. and M. Craig) -b. 1841, -d. 1911." "Elizabeth, wife of James Craig, -b. 1842, -d. 1910" "Mary Craig, -b. 1845, -d. 1911."

After the many years of search for some member of Catherine Diefenbach Craig's family it seemed almost too good to be true to receive a letter, shortly after our visit to DeGraff, from Dr. S. C. Frantz, Optometrist, whose address is 111 E. Columbus St., Bellefontaine, O. His first wife was Adale Craig, and from him we have the following information. The oldest son of Patterson and Mary Catherine Kirchhoff Craig was Henry who married Frances Wolf. Their children are Forrest, deceased, and Jean (Evans) living in Perrysburg, O. Next was James, who m. Elizabeth Kerr. Their children were twins, Adale and Lorain Delbert. Adale m. Dr. S. C. Frantz of Bellefontaine. She died in 1926, leaving no children. Dr. Lorain Delbert Craig m. Stella Spellman. His home was in DeGraff, O., where he died in 1897. They had one son, Dr. Gerald Spellman Craig, a professor in Columbia University and author of several text books. He m. Prudence Bower and their children are Lawrence Carey and Alice Estelle. Mary, youngest child of Patterson and Catherine Craig, was unmarried and passed away in 1920.

Dr. Craig writes, "Before my marriage into the family they would visit relatives in Preble Co., but I know no names of these relatives. Mr. James Craig always spoke of his Scotch-Irish descent." Note-- Henry Diefenbach records that the Craigs were Englishmen. Dr. Frantz bears a splendid tribute to his father-in-law when he says "he wasn't handsome but he had a character and untutored ability of which his descendants should be and are proud." How interestingly these Diefenbach

descendants bear out the traits which we have found in the very first one of the name, their ancestor John Baltaser Diefenbach.

In every instance we have found the directions and locations of places of residence as stated by Henry Diefenbach in his "memorandum buch" to be correct. For instance, the relatives in Va. were located entirely by the statement of distances from Staunton, etc. as Rev. Henry had given them. He gives the direction to Patterson Craig's home as in Logan Co., Miami Twp., on the Stony Run. Dr. Frantz writes, "Stoney Creek runs through the old Patterson Craig farm in Miami Twp." Directions to the location of the relatives in Preble Co., O. are equally clear and correct.

Writing to his oldest daughter, Mary Ann Fager, on 9-11-1850, Daniel Diefenbach says, "We had another visit by two young men from Logan County. They came here with Henry Kirchhoff, and went back again on the same day. They said they could not stay any longer on account of work at home. The one was a son of Elizabeth Kirchhoff and the other of Catherine. They are full cousins to Frederick's children and second to you."

"HENRY - THIS IS I" With these words Henry Diefenbach enters himself in the family record. Further details of his life will be given later.

ANNA MARIA

"MY YOUNGEST SISTER, ANNA MARIA, WAS MARRIED TO ABRAHAM MOWREY, A FARMER. HE HAS LAND, AN OIL MILL, AND A SAW MILL AND AT THIS TIME IS ALSO BUILDING A FLOUR MILL. They have 6 or 8 CHILDREN, LUDWIG, ELIZABETH, POLLY, KATY, NANCY, ABRAHAM, GEORGE. LIFE'S END OF MY SISTER ANNA MARIA. JUNE 11, 1837. I HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY A LETTER FROM DANIEL DIEFENBACH THAT MY SISTER, ANNA MARIA MOWREY, IS DEAD, BUT THE LETTER DOES NOT STATE WHEN OR HOW. SHE MUST HAVE BEEN A LITTLE OVER 64 YEARS OLD. SO FAR AS I KNOW SHE DIED IN COSHOCTON CO., OHIO."

From the Coshocton Co. History we find that

Abraham Mowrey, -b. 1810 in Shendandoah, Va. came to Bethlehem Township, Coshocton C., O. with his parents in 1834 and in 1844 was married to Mary Konkle (-b. 1822) of Knox Co., O. Their children were Elvira, -b. 1-11-1849, -m. Alexander Miller of Kenne Twp., Coshocton Co., O. (2) William, -b. 12-12-1851, -m. Mary Woods, -b. 1857, in 1874 from whom he was divorced. They had two sons, Ward and George. He then married Emma Seward by whom he had four sons, William, Walter, Wellington, and Winfield. He was a farmer near Killbuck, O. His son, Walter, lives on R. 234, near Warsaw, O. (3) George S., -b. 4-22-1854, -m. 10-19-1876 to Isabella Miller, -b. 3-14-1857; had one child, Gladius; lived near Warsaw, O. (4) Holland W., -b. 1-22-1858. His widow, Mrs. Carrie Mowry, own the old Mowry farm off R. 234 at the R.R. station, Metum. She lives with her daughter, Mrs. Carson Buker, 141 S. 4th. St., Coshocton, O. (5) Henry E., -b. 1862; -d. 1864. (6) Sevilla Mae, -b. 6-7-1864, -m. George A. McClure. They had one son, Roy, with whom Mrs. McClure lives, R. 3, Coshocton, O. Roy McClure has one son, Roy, jr., -b. 1914.

George S. Mowrey (above) moved from Warsaw, O. to St. Louis, Mo. where he lived until he died.

Further data regarding the children of Abraham and Anna Maria Diefenbach Mowrey was obtained by correspondence. Henry Diefenbach records

the children as "LUDWIG" or Lewis, who married Haziiah Jones. He had no children.

ELIZABETH (Betsey) married Henry Painter and moved to the west. They had several children. MARY ANN (Polly) married John Engle who d. May 23rd, 1855, aged 52 years and 31 days. They had one child, Mary Ann, who d. Sept. 22, 1840, aged 1 year, 6 months, and 23 days. They are all buried in the old plot in the corn field, near the road, on the old Mowrey farm, which Mrs. Carrie Mowrey now owns. KATY, married John Smith; had a son who died in infancy and a daughter, Elizabeth, who married ----- Ensley. ABRAHAM, JR. is given on the preceeding page. ANNA (Nancy) married John Kempfer and had one son, Martin. GEORGE had 12 children, 7 girls and 5 boys. Of these 5 girls and 2 boys lived. Of the two daughters, Elizabeth and Belle are living (1939); Elizabeth is Mrs. Elizabeth Mackay, R.R. McComb, Ohio. Her daughter is Mrs. E. V. Downing, 232 E. Main St., Findlay, O.

But little remains of the tombstone of Anna Maria Diefenbach Mowrey, which stands near the roadway, in the family burying ground, now in a corn field on the old farm not far from Metum. From the stone we got the following:

ANNA MARIA MOWRY

Died March 27th, 1836

Aged 63 years, 2 months and 1 day

Was a good and faithful wife,

A tender and affectionate mother,

Benevolent and kind neighbor,

And lived and died respected

By all.

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"JOHN DIEFENBACH WAS MY BROTHER. HE MARRIED ELIZABETH HOOPMAN. JOHN HAS INHERITED ABOUT 160 ACRES OF LAND ABOUT FOUR MILES FROM STAUNTON WHERE HE LIVES AND FARMS. HE HAS NO TRADE. HE LIVES IN AUGUSTA CO., VA. HIS CHILDREN ARE MARIA, GEORGE, JOHN, ANNA (LOST HER HEARING), LEWIS, ELIZABETH, KATY, PEGGY, SALLY.

JOHN DIEFENBACH, MY BROTHER, DIED OCT. 15, 1828. HE DIED OF CONSUMPTION IN HIS 52nd YEAR (LESS 19 DAYS).

HE WAS BORN IN MARYLAND, 8 MILES FROM HAGERSTOWN ON THE POTOMAC RIVER, NOV. 3, 1776 AND DIED NOV. 15, 1828. HE DIED ABOUT FIVE MILES FROM STAUNTON IN AUGUSTA CO., VA."

A number of the children of John Diefenbach died unmarried; fairly complete records have been obtained of only one of his children LEWIS. He was -b. 1-3-1816 and -d. 12-16-1882. His wife was Evaline, -b. 2-1-1816, -d. 3-1-1885. Both are buried in Thorn Rose Cemetery, Staunton, Va. Their children are:

- (1) Ben Ami, -b. 1842, -d. 12-17-1917. He m. 1st. - Eliza Wenger, who d. in 1885. His second marriage was to Annie Elizabeth Fairburn, who lives on the old John Diefenbach homestead. Her children were Mae Evelyn, who d. 4-24-1924; Selden Fairburn; and Estelle Virginia, -m. in 4-4-1917 to Wilmer Hildebrand. Their daughter is Mabel Elizabeth, -b. 2-3-1925. The address is R.D. 5, Staunton, Va.
- (2) Elizabeth, -m. Thomas Hayden. Both are dead and left no heirs.
- (3) Mary Eveline, -b. 6-18-1853; -m. Benjamin Franklin Hildebrand, 6-6-1878. He -d. 8-17-1907. Mary Evelyn Hildebrand is the oldest living member of the family of John Baltaser Diefenbach whom we have found. (1940). Her children are (a) Pauline, -b. 7-7-1879, -m. William V. Bartram of Pittsburg, Pa. Her children are Earl H. and Pauline, who d. 3-14-1916 at Cainesville, Mo. Earl resides at 415 Mulberry St., Waynesboro, Va. Pauline Bartram, the mother, died at Cainesville, Mo. on 12-2-1937. (b) Hugh Holmes, -b. 4-11-1882, -m. Annie Ramsay. He

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is a mail clerk in the General Postoffice of Charleston, W. Va., and resides at 219 Frederick St., Dunbar, W. Va. Children are Hugh, jr., John Morrison and Leonard Franklin. (c) Charles Waldo, -b. 6-26-1884, -m. Anne Weade. He is a railway mail clerk on the Norfolk and Western Railroad between Hagerstown, Md. and Roanoke, Va. They reside on a Farm two miles north of Waynesboro, Va. There are no children. (d) Mary Edna, b- 8-1-1885, m. James Earl Tonkin of Grand Junction, Colo. She was a graduate and registered nurse. Died in Douglas, Ariz. on 12-28-1916. There were no children. (e) Georgia Maie, -b. 12-22-1887. She is a graduate and registered nurse both of Va. and Penna. On 6-6-1918 she married Charles Wade Tonkin of Sutton, W. Va., who d. 3-24-1920. They had one child, Charles Wade, jr., who is a student at the University of Virginia. On 12-22-1928 she m. Ross Lee Ozmun. They are living at 415 Mulberry St., Waynesboro, Va. (f) Benjamin Franklin, jr., -b. 4-12-1889. He is unmarried and lives in San Francisco, Calif., where he is employed by the government. (g) Geneva Emeline, -b. 11-9-1892, -m. William Franklin Landes. They have two children, Hugh Stevenson, aged 16, and William F., jr., aged 10. They live at 409 Mulberry St., Waynesboro, Va. (h) Olive Ernestine, b. 6-1-1894, -m. Isiah Quarles Stout of Tams, W. Va., who -d. 6-10-1928. There are three children by this union- William Isaiah, aged 16 years, Vivian Elaine, aged 14 years, and Olive Yolande, aged 12 years. On 4-7-1934 Mrs. Stout m. Marion Wharton Payne of 113 Altamont Circle, Charlottesville, Va. They have one child, Edith Rebecca, -b. 9-28-1935. Their address is 415 Mulberry St., Waynesboro, Va. (i) Evelyn, -b. 8-18-1895, -m. Thomas Shumate. They have no children and their address is 513 Wayne Ave., Waynesboro, Va. (j) Robert Lloyd, -b. 7-15-1897, -m. Irma Miller. He is a farmer and his address is R. 1, Staunton, Va.

Mrs. Mary Hildebrand resides at 415 Mulberry Ave. Waynesboro, Va.

(4) Charles Lewis, -b. 1856, -d. 1915; -m. Florence Marsh, -b. 1873, -d. 1934. Their children are Stewart Wilson, -b. 1909, -d. 1916; Ruth of San Francisco, Calif., Pauline Gastiger of Los Angeles, Calif.,

Ward of the U. S. Navy in Calif.

- (5) Henry Francis, -b. 5-28-1858, -d. 11-29-1921. He m. Mary Brown, -b. 1-25-1858, -d. 8-21-1920. Their children are (1) John Lewis, -m. Natalie Ralston, address care of John Deere, Plow C., Kansas City, Mo. (2) Elmer Russell, -m. 1937; is a druggist on W. Grove St., Richmond, Va. (3) Arthur Blair, -m. Susan Jane Rimel. Their children are Arthur Forrest, -b. Feb. 1930 and Mary Rimel, -b. 7-9-1933. Their address is 721 Parkview Ave., Staunton, Va. (4) George, -m. Elsie Perky. (5) Harry Wells, -m. Hortense Mays.

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GEORGE DIEFENBACH

"GEORGE DIEFENBACH, MY BROTHER, LIVED ON THE OLD PLACE WITH OUR PARENTS. HE UNDERSTOOD THE TRADES OF WAGON MAKING AND SMITH. HE MARRIED AGNES NANCY MOWRY. THEIR CHILDREN ARE JACOB, SARAH, AMOS, GEORGE, MARIA, ANNA, HENRY.

GEORGE DIEFENBACH, MY BROTHER, HAD A STROKE MAY 16th, 1824. HE WAS LAMED ON HIS RIGHT SIDE AND COULD BE UP ONLY A LITTLE AND HELP HIMSELF SLIGHTLY UNTIL FRIDAY, SEPT. 10th, 1824, IN THE MORNING AT FIVE O'CLOCK HE DIED. HE WAS BORN JAN. 26th, 1779 AND WAS 45 YEARS, 7 MONTHS, AND 15 DAYS OLD. HE DIED ON OUR FATHER'S OLD PLACE IN AUGUSTA CO., VA."

Of the children of George Diefenbach, son of John Baltaser, only three grew to maturity, Jacob, Henry, and Sarah. The will of NANCY DEPHANBAUGH, wife of GEORGE was made in March 1837; a sale was held on April 13th, 1837 and the estate was closed in Feb. 1839. Records are on file at Staunton, Va.

At the time of the death of George Diefenbach his son Henry was but four years old; record of the appointment of a guardian is filed. A map of the entire plantation is recorded and the division shown into three parts. Part No. 1 was to be Sarah's, part No. 2, Jacob's, and the third part was to go to Henry. Sarah never married and the settlement of her estate is dated Sept. 26th, 1842, with George Mowrey acting as administrator. Her share of the estate was equally divided between her two brothers, Jacob and Henry.

Jacob Diefenbach, son of George, son of John Baltaser, was educated for the ministry, but, having been disappointed in love, he left school, returned to the plantation, and became a hermit and recluse. When he died the entire estate became the property of his brother, Henry. It is said that for years after the death of Jacob sums of money were dug up in sweet potato patches, cornfields, etc., where Jacob had buried the coins.

Henry Diefenbach and his family continued to live on the old

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plantation until his death in 1903. The present house was built by George and enlarged by Henry. The foundation of the old home built by John Baltaser and the well may still be seen in a field beyond the large barns.

The plantation is situated between Fishersville and Staunton and is at present owned by Mr. W. T. Batton.

Many interesting things are told about this Henry Diefenbach (son of George) by his granddaughter, Mrs. Gertrude Wine. She says, "My grandfather was so slow to talk English. Nobody knew he could talk it until one day he was crossing a rack on racks and his jug fell into the water and that was the first time he talked English. He was then twelve years old. My grandfather was so dear to me; he gave me away when I was married. He was very aristocratic looking and very handsome with blue eyes and grey mustache. I never saw him do any work, and he always wore white--a typical Southern gentleman."

Henry Diefenbach served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War and was one of the 9000 men with Gen. Lee when he surrendered at Appomatox in 1865. He is buried in the lovely Laurel Hill Cemetery which can be reached by turning east on the Laurel Hill Road as one enters the small town of Verona, about six miles north of Staunton. The old plantation may also be reached from this Laurel Hill Road.

Henry Diefenbach, or Deffenbaugh as the Virginia family spells the name, was born Aug. 12, 1820 and died Jan 18, 1903. He was twice married (1) to Margaret Leedy, and (2) to Susan A. Shields, -b. March 7, 1836, -d. Jan. 10, 1900. Children by his first wife were: Ann, Henrietta Elizabeth, and M. Clay.

Ann Deffenbaugh, -b. 3-20-1841, -d. 10-21-1899, -m. Samuel Croft, -b. 7-16-1841, -d. 11-21-1911. They had one child who died at birth. (2) M. Clay Deffenbach was b. 1-22-1852, -d. 5-31-1916, -m. Mary _____, -b. May 6, 1869. Dewey Deffenbaugh, of Waynesboro, Va., is one of his sons; Cecil Deffenbaugh who lives in Richmond is also a son. Cecil has

two small sons (1938) (3) Henrietta Elizabeth, -b. 7-13-1851, -d. July, 1910, lived with her parents at the old home until she married on 10-15-1876 John P. Hogshead. Their children were (1) Morgan Clifton, -b. Dec., 1877, -d. 7-5-1935. His family lives in Roanoke, Va. (2) Annie Gertrude, -b. 6-30-1879, -d. 6-4-1937.

She was married 11-3-1898 to James Elmer Wine, b. 8-15-1866, -d. 12-24-1932. Their children are (1) Lucile Clara, -b. 9-28-1899; -m. Frederick Charles Hamer on 10-25-1928. Their children are Frederick Charles Hamer, jr., -b. 1-23-1930, and Patricia Lucile, -b. 7-28-1934. Their residence is at 923 Augusta St., Staunton, Va. (2) Marguerite Ellette, -b. 5-30-1904, -d. 10-9-1936. (3) Nellie Gertrude, -b. 12-9-1906; -m. 6-16-1940 George William Brand.

This was the first family we contacted in the south and their friendship has been one of the delightful payments for this research. In one of the last letters received from Mrs. Wine she wrote, "I love to have you come here." The death of her daughter, Marguerite, undoubtedly hastened that of the mother.

(3) Maud Alice, -b. 7-4-1882; -m. Emmet Wine. Lives R.F.D. 1, Waynesboro, Va. Their two daughters are Mrs. Allen Patterson and Miss Isabella Wine. (4) Clara Belle, -b. 7-6-1887; -m. James Walter Kuntz; -d. 5-6-1940 at their home on W. Main St., Brookville, Pa. (5) Frank C., -b. 12-14-1889; lives in Norfolk, Va.

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JACOB DIEFENBACH

"JACOB DIEFENBACH, MINISTER, WAS FIRST MARRIED TO LYDIA HEWS AND HAD THREE CHILDREN, CARL, MARIA ANNA, AND SAMUEL. AFTER THE DEATH OF HIS FIRST WIFE HE MARRIED SARAH ANDREWS. HE LIVED IN COLUMBIA CO., PA. IN BLOOMSBURG. WITH THIS WIFE HE HAD ELIZA, DEBORAH, WILLIAM. JACOB DIEFENBACH, MY BROTHER, DIED IN ESPYTOWN, COLUMBIA CO., PA. APRIL 13, 1825 A.D. HE WAS AGED 41 YEARS, 1 MONTH, 17 DAYS. HE DIED FROM CONSUMPTION."

From Harbaugh's "Fathers of the Reformed Church" we quote "Jacob Diefenbach was confirmed on Christmas Day 1802 by Rev. Dr. Brown. He pursued his theological studies with his brother, Rev. Henry Diefenbach and later with Dr. Becker, in Baltimore, Md. He was ordained to the ministry on April 28, 1807. His first churches were in Berks Co. In 1808 he moved to Union Co., Pa., then to Mifflinburg. Up to 1822 he led a very active and busy life. He was buried in the graveyard of the Bloomsburg Church on April 13th, 1825. His first wife, Lydia Hews was born in Selinsgrove, Pa. One son, Samuel Diefenbach, lived near Selinsgrove, Snyder Co., Pa. On Dec. 28, 1813 he was married to Sarah Andrews of Bentown (near Mauch Chunk) in Lehigh Co., Pa. Two of the children born to this second wife were living when the father died."

The history of Columbia Co., Pa. states "Through him (Rev. Jacob Diefenbach) the church was placed on a firm basis. He was a fine singer and preached exclusively in the German language. In 1815 he moved to Bloomsburg and later to Espy where a parsonage had been built for him, and entered upon a pastorate that covered but ten years, yet in that time he laid the foundations of most of the Reformed Churches in Columbia Co."

It is known that Jacob was also a watch and clock maker, for his father, Baltaser, wrote warning him not to devote too much time to this work, even though his salary as a minister was small. It was he

who taught the craft to his nephew, Daniel, son of Rev. Henry Dieffenbach.

The name of Jacob's first wife is correctly spelled "Hughes". She was the daughter of Garret Hughes of Philadelphia Co., Pa., who moved in 1790 to Penn Twp., Snyder Co., Pa.

The Orphan's Court Record of Dauphin Co., Pa. contains the following: On Aug. 25, 1825 Mary Ann Deffabach, an heir of Lydia Deffabach, states that her mother had died intestate leaving three children, Charles, Mary Ann and Samuel, lawful issue by her late husband, Jacob Deffebach. Mary Ann Asks the court to appoint guardians for these three children. Reports are made on March 13, 1826 and again Dec. 11, 1827 by the guardian, Edward Hughes. In both these reports the name is spelled "Deffenbaugh" so there can be no doubt but that it is this family.

ANNA MARIA APPOLINA BECKER

WIFE OF

JOHN BALTASER DIEFENBACH

"LIFE'S END OF MY MOTHER. MY MOTHER CLOSED HER EARTHLY LIFE OCT. 31, 1810 A.D. IN THE EVENING AT SUNDOWN AFTER SHE HAD BEEN SICK AN ENTIRE YEAR WITH A CANCER IN HER LEFT BREAST. SHE WAS SOMETHING OVER 60 YEARS OLD."

This was the total entry concerning his mother, which Henry Diefenbach made in his family history.

It was certainly not much of a clue. In 1936 there came into our possession another small book which had belonged to Henry Diefenbach. In this he recounts the story of his trip on horseback from North Carolina, where he was then preaching, to Phila. to attend the meeting of the General Synod of the Reformed Church, where he was to be examined, and, if accepted, ordained to the ministry. On the return trip he rides up to Berks Co., Pa. and there visits many relatives. Two sentences were the clue:- he records a visit he made to an old man who, at first, did not know him, but upon being further questioned says he "belonged to the relation of John Becker." The second was this:- "Then we came to the Host Church, a large stone church with a frame schoolhouse next door. But the church yard is enclosed with a stone wall. In the cemetery the old grandmother and four of her brothers and sisters are buried."

Minutes of the General Synod of the Reformed Church showed "Host Church" near Schaefferstown, Berks Co., Pa. In the same book I found the name of the minister and wrote him asking if there were any records of John Baltaser Diefenbach and his marriage to a member of the John Becker family. This minister gave my letter to Miss Margaret Stoudt of Myerstown, Pa. Later I called upon her and the following data is the result:

ANNA MARIA APPOLINA BECKER DIEFENBACH was -b. 1750 and -d. Oct. 31, 1810.

She was -b. near Schaefferstown, Berks Co., Pa. and died near Staunton, Va. She was the daughter of JOHN BECKER and his wife, CATHERINE MEYER (MOYER) BECKER. Their children were Anna Margaret, Anna Maria Appolina and Barbara, -b. June 5th, 1752. The records of Host Church mention the fact that the two daughters, Anna Margaret and Anna Maria Appolina took communion at this church.

JOHN BECKER

was the oldest son of George Becker, who -b. in Berks Co., Pa., 8-18-1766, and his wife Anna Margaret.

CATHERINE MOYER

was the daughter of JOHANNES MOYER, who came to America on the ship "Neptune, landing at Phila. Sept. 23, 1751." He came from the Upper Host in Rhine Bairen, Germany. He died in 1765, and his will is on file in Reading, Pa. Children of Johannes Moyer were- (1) Valentine, -b. 1715; lived one mile east of Host Church, buried at Host's. Had ten children. (2) Appolina, -m. George Wolf. Their children were Daniel, Eva Catherine and Maria Elizabeth, wife of George Ulrich (ancestors of Miss Stoudt) (3) Daniel, who lived on the old John Becker farm; Catherine, wife of John Becker; George who married -----Kershner.

Here is the only reason we have for believing John Baltaser Diefenbach was related to John Jacob Diefenbach, and other families of this same name-----they, too, belonged to Host's Church, or other churches in near-by Berks Co., Pa. We suppose he visited them and there met Anna Maria Appolina Becker, who became his wife.

HENRY DIEFENBACH

son of John Baltaser and Anna Maria Appolina Becker Diefenbach was -b. in Washington County, Maryland Dec. 5th, 1771. He was therefore thirteen years of age when his parents moved to Augusta Co., Va. in the fall of 1784. From this time until 1799 we know nothing about him. During these intervening years he must have travelled up and down the Shenandoah Valley to some extent, for other diaries and memoranda which he made gives names and addresses of friends whom he says "we have been bosom companions since boyhood." He was confirmed on May 26th, 1794 by the Rev. "Pastor Willy" and on April 5th, 1795 went to study with Rev. Willy for a period of two years, after which he continued his studies with Rev. Paul Henkle, a Lutheran minister of Newmarket, Va. Rev. Willy was a member of the Reformed church, and after 1786 preached at various points in Va. During the time Henry Diefenbach was with him, Rev. Willy lived in Pendleton, Co. Evidently the family attended either the Lutheran or the Reformed church, probably the latter since both Henry and Jacob became ministers in that denomination. Near the end of the Family History, which Henry Diefenbach wrote, we find the entry concerning Henry stating the fact that "He went to Botetourt Co., Va., where he studied with Rev. Wiley." The following facts regarding the ministry of Henry Diefenbach are taken from various sources-- records in the possession of Dr. Wm. A. Hinke of Auburn, N. Y., various and sundry minutes of classes and synods of the Reformed Church in the eastern part of the U. S., minutes of the Ohio Synod of the Reformed Church, "History of the Reformed Church in North Carolina" by Dr. J. C. Leonard, and from several diaries kept by Henry Diefenbach.

He is first mentioned in the minutes of Synod in 1799 when four congregations of Virginia requested Synod to ordain him to the ministry so that he might become their regular pastor. The examination not proving satisfactory he was advised to return and continue his studies with the assurance that Synod would later accept him. Henry accepted

a call to supply the old Brick or "Clapp" Church in North Carolina, as well as congregations in other parts of Guilford, Orange and Randolph Counties of that state. Beginning on Aug. 20th, 1800, he preached in that territory. Fortunately he kept a diary record of his trip on horseback to Phila. where he was examined by a committee of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the U.S. which was holding its triennial meeting in that city. On May 18th, 1802 he was ordained at the evening session of the synod, and his call to the North Carolina Churches was confirmed.

The minutes of Synod of 1805 state that he was present at the meeting but asked to be relieved from preaching because of failing health. However, he was asked to return to his field, since there was great need of ministers in that district, and consented to do so. He remained as their pastor until March 22, 1807. On April 26th, he moved to Berks Co., Pa. At the meeting of synod that spring his younger brother, Jacob, was examined and ordained as a minister. At this meeting he was requested by synod to visit and preach for several congregations in Berks Co., Pa., and, "in case he and they can come to terms," to accept a call and become their pastor. This evidently was done for records of Dunkel's Church, Greenwich Twp., Pa., are available which state that he was pastor there from 1808 to 1819.

No record is made regarding him in 1818 or 1819, but the minutes of synod of 1820 record him as of "Northampton Classis," and in the statistics of 1821 he is put down as serving in Greenwich Twp., Berks Co., Pa. Very evidently he was living there that year for his Family History begins with the statement "In memory of our relatives and correspondents. IN THIS I WRITE THE NAMES AND HOMES. BEGUN IN GREENWICH TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, PA. JULY 20, 1821, BY ME, HENRY DIEFFENBACH."

Records of marriages, copied from the Reading "Adler" by Mrs. Mary Owen Steinmetz, Reading, Pa., start with Sept. 1st, 1818 and the last one copied is dated March 20, 1825. Places of residence of bride

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$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$$
where a_n are the coefficients of the series. The function $f(x)$ is defined for $|x| < 1$ and has the following properties:

- (i) $f(x)$ is continuous on the interval $(-1, 1)$.
- (ii) $f(x)$ is differentiable on the interval $(-1, 1)$ and its derivative is given by the series

$$f'(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n x^{n-1}$$
which converges for $|x| < 1$. The function $f(x)$ satisfies the differential equation

$$x f'(x) - f(x) = 0$$

with the initial condition $f(0) = 1$. The function $f(x)$ is the unique solution of this problem. The function $f(x)$ is called the generating function of the sequence $\{a_n\}$.

The generating function $f(x)$ has many useful properties. For example, the coefficient of x^n in the expansion of $f(x)$ is a_n . The generating function $f(x)$ can be used to find the sum of the series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n$ by evaluating $f(1)$ if the series converges at $x=1$.

or groom are given in these records as Albany, Windsor, Greenwich, Richmond Twp., and Schuylkill Co.

In 1822 Henry Diefenbach became a member of the "Free Synod" which was organized because of differences of opinion among the ministers in regard to the theological training students should receive. In 1824 Henry reports six congregations, among them Pottsgrove and Spiess.

Very evidently that summer he made a trip through Ohio looking over the condition of the church, and visiting his wife's relatives who had come from North Carolina and settled in Preble County, O.

Of his ministry in North Carolina little is known except that he was far from well some of the time, and that he took an active part in the discussion then raging regarding "revivalism."

On July 26th, 1802 Henry Diefenbach was married to ANNA MARIA ALBRECHT, daughter of John Albrecht of Pa., who had come to N.C. in his early manhood, and Esther Clapp, whose father Ludwig Clapp, sr. was one of the founders of the Reformed Church in that state. The line of ANNA MARIA ALBRECHT will follow the story of Henry, her husband.

To this couple were born the following children- in North Carolina, Daniel, -b. 12-15-1803; Jonathan, probably died in infancy; David, -b. 10-8-1806; in Pennsylvania, Triphena, -b. 9-27-1808; Persidia, -b. 12-7-1810, and Thomas and Amos, who probably died in infancy. In Ohio were born Mary Ann, -b. _____ and Catherine, -b. 2-14-1831.

Wednesday, the 8th of June, 1825 Henry Diefenbach and his family (of whom he mentions only two names, Daniel and David) left Reading, Berks Co., Pa., for far distant Ohio. Their way followed for the most part what is the old Cumberland Pike, or U.S.R. 40. From Reading they went to Columbia, Gettysburg, Hagerstown, Frostburg, Washington, Pa., Wheeling, St. Clairsville, Cambridge, Zanesville, Somerset, Lancaster, Circleville, Washington C. H., Xenia, Dayton, and on the 6th of July, 1825 they came to rest at the home of Christian Albright, who was a brother of Anna Maria Diefenbach, in Lewisburg, Preble Co., Ohio. In this diary Henry Diefenbach records not only the distance travelled

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each day (the greatest being twenty five miles) but he makes observations regarding weather, homes, fields, crops, food, his horses and oxen, seeing a mine, seeing the beginning of construction of the old canal along the Potomac River, seeing a dog named Bonaparte, the steepness of the mountains, the height of the climb, etc.

After reaching Lewisburg the family lived for a short time with this Albright family but in Aug. they moved into a home alone. From this date of arrival in Preble Co. Henry Diefenbach was busy supporting his family, evidently working at whatever his hands could find to do. Sundays found him busy preaching, in Lewisburg, W. Alexandria, Germantown, in school houses, in barns and in churches, part of the time supplying churches for their ministers, as well as preaching in out of the way communities. He records baptisms, weddings and funerals; states that sometimes he was not even thanked; records payment for some of the services; one entry states that after the service the collection amounted to \$.62 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The entry of "MAY 29, 1827 ON WEDNESDAY MORNING WE MOVED AWAY FROM JOHN WENTZ TO HIGHLAND COUNTY, O. AND IN THREE DAYS OUR JOURNEY THERE WAS ENDED, SO THAT THURSDAY EVENING, THE 31st DAY OF MAY, WE CAME TO MR. WILKEN'S."

And thus, he began his work in a settled congregation in Ohio. Minutes of the Ohio Synod, in the files at Heidelberg College, Tiffin, Ohio, contain various items of information regarding his work. Some of them are "1827, fifty German Minutes of Synod were assigned him." 1828- "Rev. Henry Diefenbaugh, being a member of the Free Reformed Synod^{of Pa.} was instructed to effect a friendly contact with the Ohio Synod." 1829- "He preached the opening sermon of synod at Adelphia, Ross Co., June 16, 1829 on the text, I Tim. 5:17." At this meeting he was made a member of the Ohio Synod and appointed on a committee to make "a careful study of a theological question." In 1830, Miamisburg, he again preached the opening sermon of synod, this time on Matt. 7:13,14. He was then elected president of the Ohio Synod and was appointed to make a preach-

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ing trip through Northern Ohio, visiting the neglected congregations at Mansfield and Bucyrus. In 1831, Uniontown, Stark Co., he filed a report of his preaching trip; he left home Sept. 4th, 1830, visited and preached in Lancaster, New Ark, Mt. Vernon, Mansfield, Bucyrus, Tiffin, Ft. Ball, Lower Sandusky, -journeying 509 miles on horseback, preaching 12 German and 2 English sermons, arriving home on Oct. 9th, 1830 and receiving in collections \$3.56 $\frac{1}{4}$. He was allowed \$18 for his services. In 1831 he reported preaching at four congregations in Ross Co. and Highland Co. In 1833 he again preached the opening sermon at the meeting of synod, Xenia, on the text I Tim. 1:15. In this year he reports "Baptized - 20; Confirmed - 10; Communed - 85; Burials - 8." In 1835, Tarlton, he served on several important committees, among them one which recommends the establishment of a Theological Seminary of learning in the west." The minutes of Synod of 1836 at Xenia record this statement- "Closed as usual by Father Diefenbach." He did not attend the meeting held May 17, 1837.

The church record of the Mt. Zion Congregation, Highland Co., O., contains record of a baptism by Rev. Henry Diefenbach on Nov. 8th, 1829.

In writing, totally different from that of Henry Diefenbach, is the following statement- "LIFE'S END OF HENRY DIEFENBACH WHO WAS AN EVANGELICAL REFORMED PASTOR, AND LIVED AT THE TIME IN HIGHLAND COUNTY, NEWMARKET TOWNSHIP, ABOUT FOUR AND A HALF MILES FROM THE COUNTY SEAT, HILLSBORO, WHERE HE PREACHED AND AT THE TIME SERVED FIVE CONGREGATIONS. ON THE 7th OF OCTOBER, 1837 HE HAD AN APPOINTMENT TO PREACH IN BROWN COUNTY AND LEFT HIS HOME AS USUAL AND TOOK HIS WAY ON FOOT THROUGH HILLSBORO WHERE HE WAS SEEN FOR THE LAST TIME. HE WAS 65 YEARS OLD AND 10 MONTHS."

On the back of the baptismal certificate of Henry Diefenbach is written a brief biographical sketch. Below these statements are penciled the words "Left the 7th of Oct. 1837" and "Father left home on October the 7th, 1837." Harbaugh's brief account of his life simply

states that "he disappeared from his home in Ohio" and this seemingly is all that will ever be learned about his "life's end." Newspapers of the entire years of 1837 and 1838 have been examined, Highland Co. Histories examined, Ross and Brown Co. Histories read, old citizens of Hillsboro questioned, and not a further word has been found. In a letter Dr. Hinke quotes a paragraph from the historical sketch of Dunkel's Church, Berks Co., Pa. which concludes its account of Henry Diefenbach as their pastor with this sentence, "He resigned these congregations and went to Ohio. Report has it that he mysteriously disappeared. It is said that one day his hat was found in the woods. In it was a card, on which were written these words: "You will seek me but not find me." These words were literally fulfilled as he was never found."

How long his wife and family waited for his return, we do not know, but they eventually moved back to Lewisburg, Preble Co., O., where Henry's wife lived out her days, died and is buried in Roselawn Cemetery in Lewisburg.

ANNA MARIA ALBRECHT

wife of Henry Diefenbach was born in Orange Co., North Carolina, Sept. 13, 1784; -d. 10-7-1837 in Preble Co., O. She was the daughter of John and Esther Clapp Albrecht (Albright). On Oct. 28th., 1800 she was confirmed in the Reformed Church by Rev. Henry Lorez. July 26, 1802 at the early age of eighteen years she was united in holy wedlock to Rev. Henry Diefenbach, with whom she lived in peace and harmony for about thirty seven years. "The last thirty seven years she lived in a state worse than widowhood. A dark cloud hung over life; a mystery which only ended when she entered life eternal. Her husband was one of the pioneer ministers of the Reformed Church. He left home for the purpose of attending to his usual appointments, being in good health and spirits. He disappeared mysteriously, no one knows why; never a trace of him was found. How sad must have been the years of lonely widowhood." (From the obituary written by her pastor, Rev. Henry Herman.)

JOHN ALBRECHT

father of ANNA MARIA ALBRECHT DIEFENBACH was born in Berne Twp., Berks Co., Pa., and in his youth went to Orange Co., N.C. Here he met and married ESTHER CLAPP in 1777. Their children were: (1) Anna Elizabeth, -b. 9-20-1778, -m. Jacob Streder. The records from the old Brick Church of Guilford Co., N. C. give the following children and dates of baptism: John Streder, son of Anna Elizabeth and Jacob, baptized 12-4-1797; Anna Catherine Streder, baptized 4-3-1798. They moved to Preble Co., O. (2) Catherine, -b. 2-11-17; -m. Christian Foust. Their children were Polly, John, Christian, Alexander, Henry Diefenbach, James Axley, Peter Ludwig, Catherine, and Barbara. They lived in Preble Co., O. but later Henry Diefenbach records "Mrs. Katy Foust, widow, Randolph Co., Ind., Winchester postoffice. She lives four miles from Winchester." (3) Anna Barbara, baptized at the old Brick Church, 5-13-1787; -m. William Loy. Moved to Preble Co., O. (4) Anna Mary -m. Henry Diefenbach. (5) Magdalena, baptized 12-18-1788 and named Anna Matlena, -m. William Rose

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and lived at Sinking Spring, Giles Co., Va. Maria Rose, their daughter, was baptized at the old Brick Church in 1803. (6) Margaret, baptized 5-9-17-- (page worn away) as Anna Margaret, -m. William Muhlenberger and lived in Preble Co., O. (7) John Christian, baptized 1-3-1789, -m. Patsy Walker, lived in Preble Co., O. Their children were William, John, Mary, and Esther.

Marriages recorded in Eaton, Preble Co., O. are:

Wm. Loy to Eleanor Hankinson, 11-18-1835; Michael Loy to Charlotte Stoner, 7-2-1829; Christian Foust to Sally Loy, 12-29-1829. These are undoubtedly children of Barbara Albrecht Loy, and of Christian Foust, her brother. Also, Arthur Dilley to Elizabeth Mackenturf, 12-22-1833 (daughter of Eleanor McIntorff); Adam Miller to Elizabeth Streder, 11-17-1822 (daughter of Anna Elizabeth Albrecht Streder). Buried in the cemetery at New Hope, O. are Daniel Streder (son of Elizabeth and Jacob Streder) -b. 8-16-1811, -d. 1-24-1895 and his wife, Elizabeth, b. 7-7-1816, -d. 5-31-1856.

JOHN ALBRECHT

was the son of JOHN CHRISTIAN ALBRECHT, -b. about 1726, -m. Elizabeth Rick or Ruch. They lived in Berks Co., Pa. May 17th, 1777 John Christian Albrecht, sr. was appointed Court Martial Man. Their children were - Peter R., -d. 5-5-1835 in Schuylkill Co., Pa.; Solomon R.; John Christian R., -b. 2-26-1748, -d. 2-28-1820, -m. (1) 5-23-1776 to Maria Elizabeth Althouse, who -d. 5-27-1799, (2) Maria Kaufman; Henry R.; Jacob R., -m. Magdalena Reaser; Daniel R.; John R.; John George R.; Justus R. Daughters were Elizabeth and Catherine, who -m. Jost Hiester.

ESTHER CLAPP

mother of Anna Maria Albrecht Diefenbach, was the daughter of Ludwig Clapp, sr. who died in 1778. Ludwig Clapp was -b. near Bingen-on-the Rhine, Germany; came on the ship "James Goodwill" to America, landing in Phila., 9-27-1721. In the autumn of 1748 Ludwig and his brother, George

Valentine, started for Guilford Co., N. C., where both became prominent in the affairs of county and state. They were the founders of the Old Brick or Clapp's Church.

In 1768 the name of Ludwig Clapp was signed to a petition. His will was filed in Orange Co., N. C. in 1778 and mentions a wife and son, John.

Upon the coat of arms of the Clapp family is this motto- "Fais ce que du dois, advienne que pourra" (Do your duty, whatever comes.)

The date of death of JOHN ALBRECHT is not known, but his wife married ISAAC BURK whose name appears on the list of communicants of the Brick Church as of 1793, and he is recorded as having come from Tenn. On the list of communicants of 1805 is the name of Esther Borché (Burk). They had three children- (1) Sarah, baptized 1-20-1795 in the Brick Church; -m. Adam Albrecht (son of Phillip). They lived in New Lexington, Preble Co., O. Their children were Isaac, Christina, Esther and Jonas. (2) William T. Burk, Preble Co. History says "he was born in 1799 in Tenn. and in 1823 was married to Elizabeth Ballard (daughter of Richard)" His will is on file in Eaton, O. and names his wife, Elizabeth, Mary Cox (deceased) and sons Richard and Jesse. Jessie F. Burke, -b. 9-18-1842, -d. 3-22-1895, and his wife, Caroline, -b. 7-14-1848, -d. 8-20-1916 are buried in the Roselawn cemetery, Lewisburg, O. A descendant is Mrs. Myrtle Waters Bloom, Eaton, O. (3) Elinor, baptized 9-25-1796, -m. Jacob McIntorff; lived in Preble Co., O. Their children were Sarah, Elizabeth, and John

ISAAC BURK died in Preble, Co., O., where his will is on file. It was executed 12-31-1833 and filed 1-15-1834. In it he mentions his wife and three children, Sally Albright, William T. Burke, and Ella Ann Mcenturfe.

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DANIEL DIEFENBACH

(1) He was the oldest son of Henry and Anna Mary Diefenbach, was born in Guildford Co., N. C., where his father was then a minister, on 12-15-1803. Of his early history we know very little except that he went in 1807 with his parents to Berks Co., Pa., and came with them to Ohio in 1825. His father's diary, recording that trip, mentions only the two sons, Daniel and David. The two daughters, who we know were born in Berks Co. are never spoken of, hence we are left to wonder whether, they came west at an earlier or a later time. Daniel was confirmed in the Jerusalem Church, Albany Twp., Berks Co., Pa. (of which his father was then pastor) on 4-15-1820 and on the 16th took "holy communion."

Clock-making, the craft of a jeweler, seems to have been in-born in the Diefenbachs. We find a member of the John Adam branch building fine pipe organs. Of another it is told that as his family was making the long drive from Penna. to their new home in Ohio, a violin accidentally fell and was crushed under the heavy wheels. This young lad begged for the numerous pieces, and after the new home was reached he successfully rebuilt the violin and used it for many years. Talking one day with a descendant of John Diefenbach in Va. he remarked that all the Diefenbachs seemed to be skillful with their hands. Probably this was the craft which had been followed for many generations in the old country. Harbaugh, in his "Fathers of the Reformed Church" mentions the fact that both Rev. Henry and his brother, Rev. Jacob Diefenbach, were skilled clock makers and added to their small salary as clergymen by work at this trade. This skill with tools of the finer variety and the desire to do creative work is still very evident in the youngest generation of the family. Daniel Diefenbach, so the story goes, was intended for the ministry, and so was sent to study theology with his uncle, Jacob Diefenbach, then preaching in the northern part of Pa. After some weeks Daniel wrote home that he found he preferred learning the trade of clock-making, so his Uncle Jacob was teaching him

the art of watch and clock making and repairing. This was evidently before the family moved to Ohio, for in his father's diary we find these notes- "Oct. 10-1824. I gave Daniel \$100 to buy tools. Interest on this was \$4.00." Equipped with tools he came along to Ohio, and here began the fine work for which he was known far and wide. It has been told that Daniel made the works for at least four tall or "grandfather" clocks. The first was made for Daniel Mundhenk of Pyrmont. "Tradition says" so writes Daniel Mundhenk's granddaughter that both my grandfather and Mr. Diefenbach were clock makers and friends. Since my grandfather did not want to follow the trade any more and had a very good set of tools, Mr. Diefenbach suggested that he make grandfather a clock, and in return grandfather would give him the tools. So he did make him a very good clock with brass works. It was originally in one of those old fashioned three corner cupboards (walnut) but my father had it put into a more modern case about fifty or sixty years ago. I brought to California several keepsakes with which I was loathe to part and the old clock was one of them." Another one of the clocks in the home of A. C. Fager (a grandson) bears the date 1828 and it is said this one was made and sold to a Mr. Ozias and the money used to buy his wedding clothes. At any rate, eighteen days after his marriage to Catherine Coleman, Daniel makes a substantial payment on his indebtedness to his father. Another clock, made at this same time, is in the home of another grandson, Rev. H. B. Diefenbach. For these clocks, Mr. George Frederick Zitzer made the cases.

On June 8th, 1828 Daniel Diefenbach was married to Catherine Coleman, daughter of Nicholas and Anna Mary Wantz Coleman of near Lewisburg, Preble Co., O. Daniel had gone with his parents to Highland Co., O., where his father had accepted a preaching charge. In his diary, Nov. 18th, 1828 Rev. Henry makes this record "Today Daniel took his goods away from Benjamin Scharer's house to Preble Co. This was on a Wednesday." On the baptismal certificate of Daniel, his father has written "Nov. 9th, 1828 Catherine Coleman took the holy communion, and

on Saturday was confirmed in Friedens Church by the Reformed minister, Rev. Henry Diefenbach, Highland County, Newmarket Township, State of Ohio." This is in Rev. Henry's own handwriting, and in German script.

Daniel Diefenbach and his wife, Catherine, are buried on the Diefenbach lot in the Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg, O. Daniel -d. 5-20-1873. Catherine was -b. 4-28-1811 and -d. 10-11-1863.

CHILDREN OF DANIEL AND CATHERINE DIEFENBACH

1.

MARY ANN DIEFENBACH was -b. 3-5-1830, -d. 9-13-1886. On 9-20-1849 she -m. Jacob Fager, -b. 5-26-1825, -d. 3-3-1908. Both are buried in the Sugar Grove Cemetery, New Lexington, Preble Co., O. Mr. Fager was a successful farmer. Children were:

(A) Amanda Rebecca, -b. 8-9-1851, -d. 6-29-1880, -m. 10-26-1871 to Simon P. Geeting, -b. 1843, -d. 1927. Both are buried in Sugar Grove Cemetery, New Lexington, Preble Co., O. They had two children, Mary Esther and Jacob Henry, both of whom are dead.

(B) Daniel Ursinus, -b. 9-26-1853, -m. 2-24-1881 Ellen Markey. He -d. 12-3-1883. There were no children.

(C) John Samuel, -b. 3-24-1856, -d. 11-9-1901. On 10-8-1885 he -m. Emma C. Deardorf, -b. 5-19-1864 who -d. 2-13-1913. Their children are:

(a) Edward Deardorff, -b. 4-24-1887; -m. 7-2-1918 to Helen Ernestine Cole, -b. 6-15-1891. Both are graduates of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O. in 1915. Rev. Fager graduated from Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, O. in 1918. He has had very successful pastorates in Payne, O. and Fostoria, O. and is now pastor of the East Market St. Ev. and Reformed Church of Akron, O. Their address is 2469 E. Market St., Akron, O. There are four daughters in this family- Helen Jean, -b. 4-18-1919; Mary Josephine, -b. 6-9-1920; Martha Elizabeth, -b. 1-20-1922; Charlotte Louise, -b. 11-15-1926. Jean will be a senior in Heidelberg College this fall (1940) and Mary Jo will be a junior in the same school, while Elizabeth will become a freshman there. Charlotte is in one of the Akron High Schools. We are indebted to Jean for the typing and mimeographing of this History, and sincerely appreciate her help and her interest.

(b) Raymond Harter, -b. 4-26-1890; -m. 9-13-1917 Clara Eunice Vine, -b. 2-9-1893. Raymond H. Fager graduated from Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O., in the class of 1916. Clara Vine Fager attended this

same college for several years. He is the manufacturer and promoter of the Air-In window ventilator which factory is located in Sellersville, Pa. He with his family lives in North Wales, Pa. Their children are Virginia Vine, -b. 7-6-1918; Frances Marie, -b. 5-27-1920; Raymond Lowell, -b. 9-24-1923; and John Harter, -b. 2-2-1925. Virginia attended Heidelberg College for 2 years and is now a student in Beaver College, Phila., Pa. Frances is a 3rd. year student in a school of dress design in Phila., Pa. Raymond Lowell and John are enrolled in the High School in North Wales, Pa.

(c) Mary Ethel, -b. 5-19-1892 graduated from Fairview Park Hospital, Cleveland, O. in 1917. For a number of years she did general nursing in Cleveland and at present is night supervisor of the District #4 O.S.N.A. with office located at 2157 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, O.

(d) Glen Dale, -b. 1-20-1894; -m. 1917 Martha Herman, Lewisburg, O. Glen attended Heidelberg Academy and the Veterinary School of Ohio University. He is now supervisor of the meat departments in the I. G. A. stores of southwestern Ohio and southeastern Ind. They live at 2513 Auburn Ave., Dayton, O. Their children are Freda Edna, -b. 3-12-1918; Dale Harter, -b. 10-16-1919, -d. 11-1920; Glenna Katherine, -b. 3-14-1922; and Anna Elizabeth, -b. 1-2-1925. Freda graduated from Wittenburg College, Springfield, O. in June, 1940; Glenna plans to enter college in Sept., 1940; and Ann is enrolled in a Dayton High School.

(e) Anna Lora, -b. 3-7-1896, -m. 12-31-1917 to Stanley J. Brownell, -b. 11-13-1893. They have one adopted son, David Robert, -b. 12-23-1933. Stanley Brownell is a professor of Animal Husbandry in Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. Their address is 108 Elmwood Ave., Ithaca, N. Y.

(f) Esther Susannah, -b. 11-20-1899, -m. 12-31-1931 John Les Veaux. Esther graduated from the Home Ec. Dept. of Michigan State Agricultural College. Their children are Jane Esther, -b. 9-1-1935 and Anne,

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-b. 7-25-1938. They live at 12 Freeman Ave., in the town of Middleport, N. Y. where John Les Veaux is a chemist.

(D) Mary Catherine, -b. 7-25-1858, -d. 11-6-1936. On 4-13-1884 she -m. Jacob Swank. There were no children and after the death of Mr. Swank, his wife returned to the old home where she and her brother Cornelius lived until she died.

(E) Salome Elizabeth, -b. 12-7-1860; -d. 12-30-1883, unmarried.

(F) Martha Ellen, -b. 1-17-1863, -d. 11-30-1923. On 4-11-1888 she was married to John Luther Emlet. Their children are: Mary, Carl, Ruth and Ruby. Mary and Ruby live at West Alexandria; Carl near Gratis, Ohio; and Ruth in Dayton, Ohio.

(G) Andrew Cornelius, -b. 5-11-1865. He attended Heidelberg College and now lives on the old home place, two and one half miles west of West Alexandria, Ohio.

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2. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN DIEFENBACH was -b. 10-22-1832, -d. 3-20-1899. On 11-23-1856 he was -m. to Matilda Bare, -b. 2-23-1837, -d. 7-13-1924. Both are buried in Sugar Grove Cemetery, New Lexington, Preble Co., O. He was an expert mechanic, coming to West Alexandria in his youth and entering as an apprentice the shop of John Zitzer, undertaker and cabinet maker. Mr. Zitzer's father, George Frederick Zitzer, -b. in Baden in 1782, came to America in 1817 and to Preble Co., O. in 1824. He was a skilled workman, having learned the art of woodcraft in the old country and it was he who made the cases for the tall clocks for which Daniel Diefenbach made the works. Many articles of furniture in and around Preble Co. are the products of his skill. Writing to his daughter, Mary Ann, in a letter dated Sept. 11th, 1850, Daniel Diefenbach says "Benjamin started down to Zitzer's this morning. He stayed from last Saturday evening until this morning. Benjamin has made three bureaus and he is to make a mahogany front for one." In this shop Benjamin Diefenbach worked until within a short time of his death. To Benjamin and his wife, Matilda were born six children:

(A) Mary S., -b. 9-11-1857, -d. 8-17-1858.

(B) Clara Belle, -b. 6-12-1859, -d. 1-25-1861.

(C) Anna Luella, -b. 4-25-1862, -d. in West Alexandria, O., 4-2-1920, -m. on 3-12-1885 to William Lanthrop. Both are buried in Sugar Grove cemetery, New Lexington, Preble Co., O. They had one son,

(a) Harry E., -b. 9-11-1886, -m. Sylvia Catherine Price, -b. 10-3-1888. They have one son, Dwight Benjamin, -b. 10-8-1919. Their address is West Alexandria, O.

(D) Twins - Bella Orr and Harry Herman, -b. 3-13-1867. Bella Orr, -d. 5-29-1867. Harry -m. Virginia Susan Dolan of Greenbrier Co., W. Va. They have no children. He was for many years an engineer on the Chesapeake and Ohio R.R., but is retired and living in West Alexandria, O.

(F) John Calvin, -b. 2-13-1872, -d. 11-8-1875.

3. SALOME DEBORAH DIEFENBACH was -b. 12-24-1834, -d. 4-5-1916. On 6-14-1888 she -m. Jacob Fager, her sister Mary Ann's, widower. For many years Deborah had been housekeeper for her brother, David and her brother, William on the old home farm.
4. JOHN SAMUEL DIEFENBACH, -b. 12-22-1836; -d. while an infant.
5. AMOS KENDALL DIEFENBACH, was -b. on his father's farm one and a half miles south of Lewisburg, O., 12-20-1837. On 9-12-1861 he married Sarah Jane Wilhower, -b. 12-22-1839, -d. 1-10-1880. On 3-24-1896 Amos K. Diefenbach -m. Mrs. Fanny Goldsmith, who preceded him in death. He -d. 4-4-1915, on Easter Sunday night.

Of Amos K. Diefenbach the Dayton Daily News said- "His reputation for probity was generally recognized and no jeweler ever retired with grander commercial honors than those won by Mr. Diefenbach."

"From his father Amos learned the watch-maker's trade and in turn taught this trade to his two brothers, Jacob and Levi, and to his two sons. As a watchmaker he was a craftsman of the first degree; he had not only the knowledge of how things should be done, but the skill with which to do them properly. While at work in his shop, he was seized with a heart attack which proved fatal three days later."

Sarah J. Wilhower was the daughter of Catherine Mook Wilhower Young. Mr. Wilhower, father of Sarah Jane, died during the cholera epidemic of 1839, and her mother married, 9-10-1840, Mr. Young by whom she had a daughter. This marriage is recorded in Greenville, O. Mrs. Young died about 1849, also of cholera, and shortly afterward Mr. Young took his small daughter and moved to Indiana, leaving Sarah Jane in the care of relatives and friends. Her mother was a daughter of John Mook, -b. 1789, -d. 2-24-1849, and was buried at New Hope, O. Sarah Jane Diefenbach was confirmed and received into membership with the Reformed Church of West Alexandria, O. by Rev. H. M. Herman on 3-30-1862. After two years of suffering from cancer, she died. Both she and her husband are buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg, O. on the Diefenbach family lot.

The first part of the paper discusses the importance of the study and the objectives of the research. It also provides a brief overview of the methodology used in the study. The second part of the paper presents the results of the study and discusses the implications of the findings. The third part of the paper concludes the study and provides some final thoughts on the research.

The study was conducted using a qualitative research approach. The data was collected through interviews with participants who were selected through purposive sampling. The interviews were conducted in a semi-structured format, allowing the researcher to explore the topics in depth while also following a general guide. The data was then analyzed using thematic analysis, which involves identifying themes or patterns in the data.

The findings of the study suggest that there are several factors that influence the outcomes of the research. These factors include the quality of the data, the reliability of the participants, and the effectiveness of the research methods. The study also found that there are some limitations to the research, such as the small sample size and the lack of generalizability of the findings.

In conclusion, the study provides valuable insights into the research process and the factors that influence the outcomes of the research. It also highlights the importance of using a qualitative research approach and the need for careful selection of participants and research methods. The study is a valuable contribution to the field of research and provides a foundation for future research.

Their children and grandchildren are:

(A) Laura Belle, daughter of Mrs. Diefenbach by a former union, and adopted by Amos K. Diefenbach, loved and reared as his own child, was -b. 12-26-1858. She was -m. to Thomas Davis on 7-16-1878. Their children are:

(a) Clarence Winfred, -b. 7-14-1879, -d. 7-12-1926. He served in the U.S. Army during the Spanish American war and the Philippine insurrection. Returning to his home he -m. Emma Derby, and later moved - California. Both died in Tuscon, Ariz.

(b) Ethel, -b. 11-29-1881, -m. Clarence Booker; address is Palisades, Minn. Their children are:

1. Cecil, -m. Winnie Green. They have three children- Susan, Sarah Jane, and Devora Elisabeth. Address, Hibbing, Minn.
2. Elisabeth Booker -m. John Kyle; lives in Tamarack, Minn.
3. Gerald lives at home.

(c) Ruth, -b. 11-1-1888, -m. 8-21-1913 to Harry A. Hoffman, -b. 8-7-1886, who is Superintendent of Schools at Lewisburg, O. Their children are: Robert Kendall, -b. 6-18-1918 and Philip Austin, -b. 1-1-1920. Both boys are students in the University of Cincinnati. Mrs. Davis makes her home with the Hoffmans in Lewisburg.

(B) Florence Katherine, -b. 9-30-1862, -d. 8-19-1864; buried beside her parents.

(C) Mary Susan, -b. 10-10-1864; -m. 1-5-1888 to Henry C. Wise, -b. 6-3-1855. They live in Middletown, Henry Co., Ind., where Mr. Wise has been a successful business man for many years. Their children are:

(a) Homer, -b. 5-20-1889, -d. 7-16-1889.

(b) Helen, -b. 4-13-1891, -m. 9-8-1927 to Howard Rockill, -b. 3-17-1885. Mrs. Rockhill attended Teachers' College in Indianapolis and Ball State Teachers' College at Muncie, Ind. She is now teaching in the schools of Newcastle, Ind., where her husband is head of the business education department of the High School. Their address is 623 Goodwin St., Newcastle, Ind.

(c) Mary Kathryn, -b. 5-27-1902, -m. 9-1-1928 to Otto Keiser Jansen, 3-5-1893. They have one child- Mary Kay, -b. 10-29-1929. Mrs. Jansen graduated from Butler (Ind.) University in 1924. Their home is at 6015 Park Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., in which city Mr. Jansen is employed as deputy examiner of the State Board of Accounts.

(D) Louisa Jane, -b. 4-10-1867, -d. 10-31-1932 in Tiffin, O., is buried in Fairview Cemetery, ^{W. Alex., O.} Married 7-12-1899 to Edwin Clarence Foutz, -b. 10-13-1855, -d. 3-14-1914; buried in St. Elmo, Ala., where he owned a plantation at the time of his death. After her mother's death, "Sister Jen" was the housekeeper and to her, until the time of her death, her sisters and brothers turned for advice. Words could scarcely be found to express the love which the entire family held for her. After her husband's death she returned to West Alexandria where she again kept house for her father until he died. After his death she moved to Tiffin, O. in order that her two children might have the advantage of attending Heidelberg College there. She died very suddenly after a fall in which her hip was broken. The children are:

(a) Ralph Diefenbach, -b. 4-29-1900, -m. 6-25-1925 to Dorothy Jones of Egan, Ill., -b. 4-1894. Their children are: Mary Ives, -b. 4-19-1926; Helen Clarissa, -b. 11-21-1927; Jean Wynne, -b. 5-5-1933. They live at 68 Circular St., Tiffin, O., where Mr. Foutz is employed as reporter and engraver on the "Tiffin Advertiser."

(b) Gertrude Elizabeth, -b. 7-12-1901; graduated from Heidelberg College in 1922; she received the degree of Master of Arts from State College of Pennsylvania; has spent many months in study of french in Sorbonne and in Normandy, and is assistant in the french department of the High School, Westfield, N. J.

(E) Charles Edward, -b. 7-16-1869. He was married 5-7-1892 to Mary Toman, -b. 7-20-1868, -d. 1-2-1900. On 2-26-1904 he married Daisy Smith, -b. 1-28-1868. Charles E. Diefenbach learned the craft of his father at his father's side. He has been a skillful and expert workman. He also studied, passed the examination and for years was an optometrist in

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West Alexandria, O. where he and wife live. Children of his first marriage are:

(a) Lowell Toman, -b. 10-10-1895; -m. in Cincinnati, O. to Edna Carolyn Kistner on 5-23-1918. They have one daughter, Alice Lowella, -b. 4-15-1930. Lowell is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati, and is an electrical engineer with the Commonwealth Edison Co. of Chicago. Their address is 807 Vine Ave., Park Ridge, Ill.

(b) Amy Pauline, -b. 4-5-1898; -m. 12-31-1924 to Donald Daronne Tate, -b. 11-6-1900. Their children are: Mary Beatrice, -b. 12-19-1927; Judith Ann, -b. 5-30-1929; Thomas R., -b. 9-26-1935. Amy is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati, in which city they live. Mr. Tate is an attorney there.

(c) Mary Pergie, -b. 12-31-1899, -m. 12-18-1926 to Wm. Edson Brown -b. 1-24-1901. Children: Aloma Natalie, -b. 8-6-1929, -d. 8-7-1929 Noel Edson, -b. 8-24-1931. After her mother's death, Mary lived with her father's aunt, Mrs. Deisher. Mary attended normal school at Oxford, O. and taught school for some time in Lewisburg, O. Their address is R. #1, Lewisburg, O.

Children of Charles and Daisy Diefenbach are:

(a) Anna Lou, -b. 12-9-1905, -m. 6-27-1931 by her uncle, Rev. H. B. Diefenbach, to Robert Victor Apple, -b. 2-1-1907. Robert is paymaster in Hotel Biltmore, Dayton, O., but they live in West Alexandria, O.

(b) Daniel David, -b. 10-14-1907, -m. 4-7-1938 to Pollyanna Pollett, -b. 8-22-1908. Their son, David Daniel, was born 3-23-1939 at Vero Beach, Fla. A daughter, Deborah Day, was born 7-30-1940.

(F) Delilah Magdaline, -b. 9-24-1872, -d. 10-24-1872; buried in Lewisburg, O.

(G) Howard Berleman, -b. 5-29-1874; -m. 6-14-1906 to Josephine Conrad Zartman, -b. 8-2-1878, by the bride's father, Rev. Allen K. Zartman, D. D. in Grace Reformed Church, Ft. Wayne, Ind. Both are graduates of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O., as were Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Zartman.



Rev. H. B. Diefenbach, graduating from the Theological Seminary at Tiffin, O., held pastorates in Carrothers, O., Bluffton, Ind., Dayton, O., and Akron, O. He is pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, of Akron; their home address is 356 Rose Blvd., Akron, O. Children are:

(a) Allan Berleman, -b. 5-18-1909 in Bluffton, Ind. Graduated 1931 from Heidelberg College, 1934 from the Law College of Michigan University at Ann Arbor, Mich. He is associated with Evan J. Reed, attorney, in the firm of Reed and Diefenbach, of Akron.

(b) Benjamin Conrad, -b. 11-2-1911 in Bluffton, Ind. Graduated 1933 from Heidelberg College, in 1937 from the Medical College of Western Reserve University, Cleveland, O. Served his internship in City Hospital of Akron, O. and his residency in the Hospital of Martin's Ferry, O. On Nov. 1st. 1940 he will begin two years residency and postgraduate work in the Gill Memorial Hospital, Roanoke, Va., specializing in eye, ear, nose and throat work. He was married 4-24-1939 to Elizabeth Gale Palmer, -b. 2-21-1917 in Akron. Their daughter, Gale Ann, was -b. 4-18-1940.

(H) Phoebe Augusta, -b. 9-21-1876, -m. 1-24-1895 to Arthur A. Creager, -b. 4-10-1874. They live in West Alexandria, O. where Mr. Creager was a barber for many years. Children are:

(a) Kendall Guy, -b. 9-27-1896; graduated from Heidelberg College in 1918. On 8-26-1921 he -m. Ruth Crosser. His son, Richard Kendall, -b. 9-7-1922, graduated from the West Alexandria High School in 1940. Both Guy and Richard live in Piqua, O. where they are employed.

(b) Hubert Keith, -b. 12-24-1897, attended Ohio State University at Columbus, O. and is in the architectural department of the Ohio Fuel and Gas Co., with headquarters in Columbus, O.

(c) Myra Muriel, -b. 12-23-1899; -m. 12-27-1921 to Otto Lange, -b. 3-28-1897. Mrs. Lange taught in the schools of West Alexandria for several years, and Mr. Lange is employed with the Delco Co., Moraine City, O. They live in West Alexandria, O.

(d) Lois Maurine, -b. 3-9-1905; -m. in 1924 to Louis Grosse. Chil-

ren are- Louis George, -b. 4-6-1925, Jacqueline Ann, -b. 6-9-1928, Ronald Lee, -b. 9-20-1933. Their address is 608 Larcomb St., Columbus, O.

6. JOSEPH COLEMAN DIEFENBACH, -b. 5-2-1840, -d. 1911; -m. 7-1-1858, by Rev. A. C. Kindig, to Samantha Wright, who died in 1919. Both are buried in Gettysburg, Preble Co., O. He was a carpenter by trade and lived south of Lewisburg, O., later moving to Gettysburg, O., where he followed his trade.

Four children were born to this union.

(A) Benjamin Franklin Diefenbach, -b. 9-25-1859; -m. 1885 Cora B. Jamieson; -d. 3-11-1890, and is buried in Sugar Grove Cemetery, New Lexington, Preble Co., O. One son was born to them in 1886, whom they named Lawrence. He died in Columbus some years ago.

(B) John- who -m. Izora Aerhart and died in 1927. He was married and had three children, one daughter and one son being dead. The oldest daughter, Clara, married George Hart, and with their three children, they live near Hamilton, O. John Diefenbach was a shoemaker at Eaton, O.

(C) George Washington, -b. 1866, -d. 2-9-1940; -m. by Hiram Johnson, minister of the gospel, to Mary Elizabeth Becker, whose father came directly from Germany and settled at Orangeburg, O., where he married Hannah King. George, like his brother, Benjamin Franklin, learned the trade of their father and both became skillful carpenters. He moved in his later years to Muncie, Ind., where a number of his sons had gone. There he followed his trade and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. Both he and his wife are buried in the cemetery at Gettysburg, O. The following data was sent by their son, Louie L. Diefenbach.

(a) Louie Loraine, -b. 6-13-1886 at Lewisburg, O., 1-11-1910 to Wil- do M. Guy by whom he had one daughter, Louanna Jane Diefenbach who lives in El Paso, Texas. On 9-13-1920 Louie -m. Gladys M. Jetmore of Muncie, Ind. Louie Diefenbach is a carpenter and cabinet maker, living at 1525 W. 13th St., Muncie, Ind.

(b) Sadie Sarah, -b. 7-6-1887 at Brennersville, O. She was married

to William Smith of Muncie, Ind., and both are now deceased, Sadies having died 1-20-1921 and Wm. in 1938. They had five children- George, Eugene, Grant, Minnie, and Nora, of whom Eugene and Grant are deceased.

(c) Jessie Alice, -b. at Brennersville, near Lewisburg, O., 4-8-1888. She was married in 1910 to Earl Wagner of Eaton, O. from whom she was divorced in 1916. She was married the second time to Clarence Williams of Richmond, Ind., who -d. in 1929. There were no children by either marriage and Mrs. Williams lives in Richmond, Ind.

(d) Joseph J., -b. in Eaton, O., 3-22-1895. He was never married and served overseas with the U.S. army for eighteen months. He came home after the war, in which he had been shell shocked and gassed, and has been physically disabled ever since. He lives with his sister, Reba, in Muncie, Ind.

(e) Grace May, -b. at Campbellstown, O. in 1890 and -d. 11-17-1896.

(f) Reba Cora, -b. at Eaton, O. 2-22-1898. On 4-14-1917 she married Rada Mills of Winchester, Ind., -b. 9-18-1898. They have one child, Paul Frederick Mills, -b. 1-17-1918; -m. 7-23-1936 to Gertrude Maria Lindsey of Muncie, Ind. They have three children- Janice Louise, aged four, Paul Frederick, jr, -b. 7-23-1938 and Margie Lavonne, -b. 6-30-1940. Their address is 2101 W. 10th St., Muncie, Ind.

(g) Lester Lawrence, -b. 4-4-1900 at Ebenezer, O. On 9-14-1923 he -m. Lola Blanch Clevenger. Their children are Rosemary June, aged 16 years, Lester Richard, 14 years, Mildred Joyce, aged 7 years Ralph Leon, 5 years, Wanda Jean, and Nonda Ilene, 2 years. Their address is Box 247, Parker, Ind.

(h) Mildred, -b. in 1904 at West Manchester, O. Married in 1935 to Dr. M. H. Botkin. Their address is Silver Lake, Mich.

(i) Ruth was born at West Manchester, O. in 1906. In 1923 she married Carrol Cooper, and their children are Vivian and Jackie Leon. They live at 413 Kilgore Ave, Muncie, Ind.

(j) John Robert, -b. 3-1-1909 at Lewisburg, O., -m. 3-25-1929 to Mary Elizabeth Bradburn. Their children are Madona and John, jr.

(k) Hannah Amelia, -b. 7-28-1910 at Lewisburg, O. She m. Frank Carter of Muncie, Ind., -b. 9-9-1900. They have two children, Patricia Ann and James J., and their address is 820 S. Shipley St., Muncie, Ind.

(l) Hubert Emerson, youngest child of George and Mary Diefenbach, was -b. 12-12-1912 at Gratis, O. In 1933 he m. Olive Brown, of Muncie, Ind. who was -b. in 1917. They have one child, Beverly Ann, -b. 1923. Their address is 2023 W. 9th St., Muncie, Ind.

(D) Flora Diefenbach, youngest child of Joseph Coleman and Samantha Wright Diefenbach, was -m. 6-17-1886 to Elmer E. Murray in Preble Co., O. She died in Florida some years ago.

7. HENRY ALVIN DIEFENBACH was -b. 6-24-1842, -d. 12-17-1913. On 10-8-1868 he -m. Martha Cooper, -b. 9-10-1837, -d. 11-9-1926. Both are buried at Sugar Grove cemetery, New Lexington, Preble Co., O. He was a photographer by trade, having a studio in West Alexandria, O. in which he worked until within two weeks of his death, although he had been in ill health for some months. His wife was born near Enterprise, Preble Co., O. To this union was born one daughter- Georgia E., -b. 8-15-1869, -d. 2-22-1935. She was married on 9-21-1899 to Charles B. Mause of West Alexandria, O. They had no children.

8. JACOB HIRAM DIEFENBACH was -b. 12-3-1845, -d. 12-17-1913. He m. (1) Lizzie B. Haudeshell on 12-24-1876. She was -b. 2-26-1852, -d. 6-28-1885. He is buried in Ansonia, O. On 9-6-1908 he -m. Mary Ann Baughman who lives in Ansonia, O. He learned the jeweler's craft from his father, Daniel Diefenbach, and his brother, Amos Diefenbach, in whose shop he worked for a number of years. He later moved to Ansonia, O., where he established his own business in which he continued until the time of his death. His first wife, Lizzie B. Haudeshell was born in Gettysburg, Pa. and is buried in Roselawn cemetery, Lewisburg, O. They had two children:

A. Versie Lee- -b. 11-5-1877; -m. 1-25-1902 to Clifford Drew, -b. 8-6-1860. They live in Sonora, O., but their mail address is R.D. 1, Greenville, O. Their children are:

(a) Elmer Kenneth, -b. 11-22-1902, -m. Marjorie Longfellow. Children: Elmer K., jr. and Ronald Lee. Address, R. 2, Arcanum, O.

(b) Harley Harmon, -b. 2-5-1909, -m. Martha Shivedecker. They live near Sonora, O. but get their mail through the New Madison, O. post-office. Children are Howard Eugene and Patricia Ann.

(c) Dorothy Mae, -b. 8-5-1910, -m. Roy Sollenberger. Their children are Ruth Eileen, Thurman Ellsworth, Donna Jeanne, and Russell.

(d) Myron Herbert, -b. 1-27-1915, -m. Mary Hiatt. They have one daughter, Judith Ann. Their mail address is Lewisburg, O.

B. Howard Ozias Diefenbach, -b. 12-6-1884, -m. Victoria Drew. His mail

address is New Madison, O. They have no children.

9. DAVID OLEVIANUS DIEFENBACH was -b. 11-9-1848, -d. 8-5-1916. With his brother, William A., he ran the old home place, raised poultry and fancy Jersey cattle. He is buried in Roselawn cemetery, Lewisburg, O.

10. PHOEBE ELLEN DIEFENBACH, -b. 4-23-1851, -d. 5-24-1934; -m. 11-2-1876 to George M. Deisher, -b. 3-28-1855, -d. 1-3-1916. Both are buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg, O. Mr. Deisher was a public school teacher and farmer in Preble Co., O. After his death his wife bought a home in Lewisburg, O. where she lived until she died. Her nephew, Rev. H. B. Diefenbach, conducted the funeral services in the Lewisburg Reformed Church to which so many members of the Diefenbach family have belonged and from which many of them have been buried. During his two years stay in Preble Co., O. Henry Diefenbach frequently preached here, and many of the funerals he conducted were in this church.

There were two children in this family:

A. Allie Lala, -b. 8-12-1877, -d. 3-1-1940; -m. 12-24-1911 to Luther Grant Bixler, -b. 2-3-1868. Mr. Bixler's address is R.D. Lewisburg, O. Their children are:

(a) Phoebe Ellen, -b. 4-4-1914, -m. 6-9-1933 to Delbert Carl Tegtmeyer, -b. 10-20-1916. Their children are- Madge Charlene, -b. 8-6-1934; Marylin Irene, -b. 7-15-1936; Robert Carl, -b. 10-26-1937.

Their address is R.R. 2, Lewisburg, Ohio.

(b) Francis Marion, -b. 8-31-1917; -m. 12-24-1939 to Esther Christine Miller. Address, R.R. 2, Lewisburg, O.

B. Christian Glen Deisher was -m. on 4-27-1907 to Bertha Florence Imes. Their children are Christian Francis; Max Marion, Fay; Robert Eugene; and Paul Quintus; Susan; and Vera; and George, who died in his youth; Geneva; Frederick; Charles Glen. Several years before his mother died, Christian Glen Deisher met with an accident which resulted in his death. His wife's address is R. R., Lewisburg, Ohio.

11. LEVI CALVIN DIEFENBACH was -b. 11-7-1853, -d. 12-23-1917. He -m.

6-22-1887 Ozora Belle Hoerner, -b. 6-16-1857, -d. 3-13-1937. Buried in Roselawn cemetery, Lewisburg, O. Levi Calvin Diefenbach learned the jeweler's trade with his brother, Amos. After mastering this craft he remained with his brother until 1884 when he went to Lewisburg, O. and opened a shop for himself, continuing in this until his death. He married Ozora Belle Hoerner, the ceremony being performed by Rev. H. M. Herman. His obituary states that he "was a silversmith and jeweler by trade and was noted for the integrity and uprightness with which he conducted his business." There were no children.

12. WILLIAM ABRAHAM DIEFFENBACH was -b. 11-10-1855, -d. 4-24-1931; buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg, O. After the death of his brother, David Diefenbach, and of George, his sister's husband (George Deisher), Wm. Diefenbach lived with his sister, Mrs. Phoebe Deisher, in Lewisburg, O.

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(2) JONATHAN, -b. in North Carolina, but evidently died before 1825 when the family moved to Ohio.

(3) DAVID, -b. 10-8-1806 in North Carolina. Married 6-20-1842 in Preble Co., O. by Rev. John Kircher; -d. 1-25-1878. His wife, Christina Miller, was -b. 9-27-1824, -d. 6-24-1865. Both are buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg, O. Their children were John Kircher, who died in the Civil War; Mary Elizabeth; Daniel, who married a Miss Shiverdecker; Noah Abraham, who went west and was never again heard from; William, -b. 5-21-1852, -d. 4-10-1854, buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg, O.; Thomas; Catherine Juliana; Sarah who m. Elwood Coates.

(4) TRIPHENA DIEFENBACH, daughter of Henry, was -b. 9-27-1808 in Berks Co., Pa. On 2-14-1839 she was married by Rev. John Kircher to John Coleman. He was -b. 4-8-1815 and -d. 10-10-1894, and his wife, Triphena, -d. 9-28-1894. Both are buried in Roselawn cemetery, Lewisburg, O. Their home was near Lewisburg, and with them lived Anna Mary Albright Diefenbach until she died. Children were: Sarah Anna, -b. 5-26-1840; -d. 9-13-1904; Andrew Cornelius, -b. 12-25-1841, -d. 6-9-1890; Ephraim Benton, -b. 10-25-1843, -d. 1-10-1849; Mary Catherine, -b. 5-25-1846, -d. 6-14-1909; Salome Elizabeth, -b. 1-27-1849, -d. 12-29-1888; Emma Persis, -b. 3-18-1851, -d. 2-17-1897.

Sarah Anna Coleman was a successful school teacher in Lewisburg, West Alexandria, and other Preble Co. Schools; Mary Catherine was the housekeeper at home and Salome Elizabeth, who also lived at home, died from tuberculosis. Emma Persis was the only daughter who married. She married Walter N. McNutt on 10-18-1887 at the Reformed parsonage, West Alexandria, O. They had no children. Andrew Cornelius m. 5-6-1869 Alice Emmens, -b. 12-24-1845, -d. 2-12-1909. They had one son, Paul Lane Coleman, -b. 3-15-1871; -d. in Green-

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ville, O. 2-26-1938. All the above members of the Coleman family are buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg, Ohio.

Paul L. Coleman and Mame Bunger were married at Greenville, O. 5-16-1899. They have one son, John Andrew Coleman, -b. 4-14-1905; -m. 9-21-1935 to Dorothy Tallman in New York City. She was a resident of S. Orange, N. J. and is a graduate of Smith College. John A. Coleman is in the Sales Research Dept. of "Standard of N.J." with office in Manhattan. Their home is in Chatham, N.J. They have no children. Mrs. Paul Coleman resides in Greenville, Ohio.

(5) PERSIS DIEFENBACH, name recorded by her father as "Persida", was -b. in Berks Co., Pa. 12-7-1810 and -d. in Darke Co., O. 3-19-1891. Her record states that "Born to Rev. Henry Diefenbach and his beloved wife, a daughter, on the 7th of December, 1810 A.D. Persida was born in Greenwich Township, Berks Co., state of Pennsylvania, North America. Baptized and received the name Persida (taken from Romans 16:12) on the 12th of January 1811. She was confirmed 11-8-1828 and on the next day, 11-9, took for the first time holy communion by Henry Diefenbach in the holy church of Highland Co., Newmarket Township, Ohio. Persida Diefenbach was married to Abraham Bauman on the 24th of December, 1841 by Rev. Joseph Gruber in Harrison Twp., Preble Co., Ohio."

Children of Abraham and Persis Bowman were John, Matilda, Catherine, Joseph, (who died from typhoid fever), Abraham, jr., and Lucy. Abraham, sr. was a blacksmith and "died from typhoid fever in Darke Co., O., and was buried in the Greenville Cemetery.

On 9-9-1858 Persis was married to John Adam Gruber. The license is recorded in Greenville, O., and they were married by Alexander Klefeker, M. G.

Matilda Bowman was -b. 7-16-1843, and -d. 3-27-1904. Her husband, John W. Hevel, was -b. 9-22-1837, -d. 4-14-1915. They are buried in Sugar Grove Cemetery, New Lexington, Preble, Co.; Their son, John Hevel, lives

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(6) MARY ANN, daughter of Rev. Henry and Anna Mary Diefenbach, married 8-4-1865 Eli Locke. Rev. H. M. Herman, in her obituary, says "At Euphemia, Preble Co., O., March 18th, Mrs. Mary Ann Locke, wife of Eli Locke, aged 53 years, 4 months and 4 days. Mrs. Locke was a faithful member of the Reformed Church at Lewisburg, O. She was a daughter of Rev. Henry Diefenbach, who dedicated her to God in infancy through the ordinance of baptism. Her life was that of a consistent follower of the Lord Jesus Christ. Her sufferings were great. Her end is peace." No children were born to this union.

(7) CATHERINE DIEFENBACH, daughter of Henry, was born in Highland Co., O. on 2-14-1831. She -m. Eli F. Shearer on 8-4-1860. He was born in Miami Co., O. in the year 1833. He was enrolled and mustered in for service in the Civil War at Arcanum, O. on 1-22-1862, and served as a private in Co. K., 34th Ohio Regt. Infantry, was discharged 1-3-1864 and reenlisted immediately. He was later transferred to Co. K, 36th Regt. Ohio Infantry, and honorably discharged as a private 7-26-1865 at Wheeling, W. Va. His age is shown as 29 years.

After the war Mr. and Mrs. Shearer moved to Paulding, O. where they are buried. They had two sons, neither of whom had ever married: Andrew, who died in Sept. 1926 and Frank, who died in Sept. 1937.

JOHN COLEMAN

who married Tryphena, daughter of Rev. Henry Diefenbach and

CATHERINE COLEMAN

who married Daniel, son of Rev. Henry Diefenbach were children of

NICHOLAS COLEMAN, -b. Somerset Co., Pa., 5-25-1781; -d. 7-25-1851; -m.

6-16-1808 in Montgomery Co., O. by Wm. Swisher, J. P. to ANNA MARY WANTZ (Vance), -b. 3-8-1789; -d. 11-29-1865. Both are buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg, Ohio.

Nicholas Coleman came to Ohio in 1810 with his wife and one child-Catherine. He cleared a farm one and a half miles south of Lewisburg, O. in Harrison Twp., Preble Co., O., where he lived and died. Here his son, John, lived also until his death. Their children were: Catherine, -b. 4-28-1811, -m. Daniel Diefenbach; Sarah, -m. 9-9-1830 to Wm. Hapner, and on 4-5-1835 to John Lewis; Susanna, -m. 1-5-1837 to Andrew Beard; John, -b. 4-8-1815, -m. Triphena Diefenbach.

The fifth marriage recorded in Preble Co. files is that of Nicholas Coleman and Mary Vance.

NICHOLAS COLEMAN

was the son of

JOHN COLEMAN of Somerset Co., Pa., who d. 1835, and Susanna Foust, who d. 1834. Their children were : Catherine; Nicholas, who m. Anna Mary Wantz; Marie Elizabeth, -b. 1783; Susanna, -b. 1785, who m. _____ Shrank; Sarah, -b. 1786, -m. John Smith and moved to Stark Co., O.; John George, -b. 1790, -d. shortly after birth; John Frederick, -b. 1792, moved to Sandusky, O.; John Jacob, -b. 1794, -d. as infant; Catherine, -b. 1796; Elizabeth, -b. 1798, -m. John Diel; Eve, -b. 1805, -m. John Lape, moved to Va.; Anna Maria, -b. 1811. Records are to be found in Berlin, Pa. John Coleman served in the Revolutionary War. He was one of four brothers, George, Jacob, John, and Nicholas who settled in Brothers' Valley, Somerset

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Co., Pa., so named for these four brothers.

SUSAN FOUST - mother of John Coleman, was the daughter of NICHOLAS

FOUST, who d. in Somerset Co., Pa. in April 1814. Other children were Henry, Sarah, Susan, Catherine, Eve. Margaret, and Elizabeth (who m. John Steffler).

ANNA MARY WANTZ

was the daughter of JOHN WANTZ, -b. 12-29-1769, -d. 9-25-1845, and EVE ELIZABETH LONG, -b. 3-5-1766, -d. 8-16-1847. Both are buried in Roselawn Cemetery, Lewisburg, O. Children were- Frederick, -m. 4-29-1824 to Betsey Wolf, and 6-24-1830 to Catherine Wysong; Jacob, -b. 1803, -m. 1831 to Margaret Price; Michael, -m. 1831 to Mary Smoyer, moved to Indiana; John P., -m. 1836 to Sarah Judy; Anna Mary, -m. 1808 to Nicholas Coleman; Martin; Elizabeth, -m. T. J. Phillips; Catherine, -m. Jacob F. Smith; Sarah, -m. Daniel Wikle; Anna Maria, -m. David Basore.

John Wantz came to Montgomery Co., O. from Somerset Co., Pa. in 1807, travelling by wagon to Brownsville, thence by river to Cincinnati on a flat boat, while their team was brought over-land. In 1809 they moved to Preble Co., one mile south of Lewisburg where they lived until they died.

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